

THEXTIMES Tomorrow

High spirits The day the Bishop of Southwark drank a cocktail of brandy and TCP

King among fish John Young on where the מנת מסתוsal



Silicon rampant Scotland writes off the past and looks to the future in Silicon Glen Matchless

Rex Bellamy reports from Dallas on McEnroe's attempt to win the World Championship tennis tournament for the fourth time

City split over new watchdog

A split has developed in the City over how to police the behaviour of investment advisers. Most members of the Council for the Securities Industry, which represents 16 investment associations, want the CSI to become the City's watchdog. But three, representing unit trusts and merchant banking, say there is no need for a buffer organization below the Department of Trade and Industry, which ultimately controls the investment indus-

British record for Zola Budd

Zola Budd broke the UK junior 1.500m record by almost four seconds last night. Running barefoot, the 17-year-old South African-born runner who was granted British nationality earlier this month won an invitation race on the Crystal Palace track in South London in a time of 4 min 10.82 sec. Budd weicomed, page 23

In the balance, page 2 Police inquiry

The Commons Select Committee on Home Affairs is to investigate the Special Branch for the first time, concentrating on its rôle resources, training and accountability.

Airline illness

British Airways said 631 pass-engers and 135 staff became ill during an outbreak of food poisoning on some Concorde flights and other services Page 3

£1.5m swindle

solicitors' clerk who defrauded clients, building societies and banks of £1.5m to keep his office in business has ocen jailed for three years Page

Brazil tension

The Brazilian Congress was debating early today an amendment to permit the first direct presidential elections for 24 years amid tough security measures in a tense Brasilia

Hess is 90

Rudolf Hess, the world's most expensive and loneliest prisoner, is 90 today Report and photographs,

Budget deadlock

City councillors in Liverpool furled for the second line in a month to agree a budget for the financial year which started last Page 2

Flat challenge Michael Dickenson will give up National Hunt training at the end of this season before

starting up as private Flat trainer to Robert Sangster Page 25

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Brittan wants to clamp down on diplomatic rules

Secretary, in a first and interim murder of Woman Police Constable Yvonne Fletcher and to the Far East, to make a the resultant severing of diplo-matic relations with Liyba, gave responsibility of his department matic relations with Liyba, gave an indication which MPs found unconvincing that the Govern-Libyan People's Bureau in ment will try to prevent similar London, He will also be pressed crimes being committed in to say what real hopes he may future under the cloak of have of changing the diplomatic have of changing the diplomatic

diplomatic immunity.

He said that Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, pressure from backbenchers in will consider putting forward all parties for him to do proposals for changes in the something. Labour MPs were Vienna Convention with the object of preventing a recurrence of of what he called the Janner, Labour MP for the last night crowding to sign a motion drafted by Mr Greville last night crowding to sign a motion drafted by Mr Greville last night contact. Labour MP for the last night contact was a place of the last night contact. "gross abuse of diplomatic cester West, which calls on the immunity" which led to the Government to "seek urgent

Experienced MPs on either ensure that, where appropriate, side of the Commons later diplomatic bags are subjected to expressed much scepticism scrutiny to ensure that they are given that 141 countries have not misused for the importation ratified the existing convention of weapons". and that any change in the rules But the machinery for change governing diplomatic activity or looks cumbersome in the in their application and enforce- extreme. Foreign Office officials ment would require prolonged explained yesterday that any and wide consultation. explained yesterday that any review of the Vienna Conven-

and wide consultation.

Mr George Walden, Contion, which is incorporated in servative MP for Buckingham,

British domestic law in the Privilege Act and a former diplomat, said Diplomatic Privileges Act, that any review could take a 1964, must first be discussed within the International Law

Mr Leon Brittan, the Home There were requests from Commission of the United both sides of the Commons for Sir Geoffrey, who is expected back on Saturday from his visit Nations. That meets once a year in Geneva, usually in May, and deliberates for three or four

> It has 34 members, all independent lawyers nominated but not subject to direction by their governments. The British representatives is Sir Ian Sinclair, until recently the Foreign Office chief legal

There will be plenty of The Government hopes that Sir lan will think it right to raise diplomatic bags and that his colleagues will share his concern. But any proposals on which the commission may Government to "seek urgent agree must then go to the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly - the legal committee changes in the rules... and to - to be considered by government reresentatives, after which they will be subjected to repeated reference back to But the machinery for change Geneva until agreement

> There was no pretence in government circles after Mr Brittan's statement yesterday that anything could reasonably be expected to result for several

'Every effort' to find WP By Michael Horsnell

Every effort is being made to identify the murderer of Woman Police Constable Yvonne Fletcher, who was shot in the back outside the Libyan People's Bureau in London last week, Commander Bill Hicklesby, of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch, told an inquest

into her death yesterday. For diplomatic reasons, investigations into the killing by a man believed still to be in the building had been limited, but several hundred people had been interviewed, 200 statements taken, 18 people detained and interviewed, two of whom are still detained, and two

leased WPC Fletcher's body for

Kennedy -

son, 28,

found dead

Washington (AP) - David

Anthony Kennedy, the son of the late Robert Kennedy, was found dead in a Palm Beach

hotel room yesterday. He was

Police would not say what

caused his death, but there was

His death was announced by

the office of uncle, Senator Edward Kennedy. In a brief statement, Senator Kennedy said: "This is a very difficult

time for all the members of our

family, including David's mother, Ethel, and his brothers and

sisters, who tried so hard to help

him in recent years. All of us

loved him very much. With

trust in God, we all pray that David has finally found the

peace that he did not find in life."

Mr Robert Shrum, an aide to

Senator Kennedy, declined to

say whether drugs were involved in the death. In 1979

David Kennedy reported that he had been robbed of \$30 (£20)

in a seedy botel in Harlem, New

York, that police described as a

David Kennedy was then taken to hospital with a heart

infection that is sometimes

associated with narcotics abuse.

11 children of Robert and Ethel

Kennedy. Robert Kennedy was assassinated in 1968 while

campaigning for the democratic presidential nomination.

David was the fourth of the

dope supermarket.

no evidence of foul play.

Mere, Wiltshire, whose address was given as Sherwood Court, Grove Avenue, South Harrow, Middlesex, was killed by a single bullet fired from a highvelocity automatic weapon as she watched over rival demonstrations outside the bureau at 5

Dr lain West, consultant forensic pathologist at St Thomas's Medical School, London, told the inquest that although she had more than one injury, the cause of death was a firearm wound to the abdomen. Commander Hucklesby said

James's Square.

that at about 10.10am on April

As the demonstration began, two counter demonstrations, portees "arranged protest" page 2

WPC Fletcher, aged 25, from each consisting of about 15 lere, Wiltshire, whose address people, took place, and involved people who had earlier been seen emerging from the

Police had deployed 23 unarmed officers to watch the demonstration, although others were held near by in reserve. WPC Fletcher was facing the anti-Gaddafi group, with her back to the building about 25 yards away, when a burst of automatic gunfire was heard. Commander Hucklesby said:

"Several eye-witnesses said they saw an automatic or semi-automatic firearm being pointed from a first-floor window of the deported.

17 about 70 people from the Libyan People's Bureau with Libyan Exiles in Britain organwas opened and adjourned until ization were demonstrating the barrel of the weapon. WPC next Wednesday by the coroner, against the regime of Colonel Dr Paul Knapman, who released WPC Fletcher's body for As the demonstration to the builter.

As the demonstration on April - Hours are selected with the barrel of the weapon. WPC one builter. "Unsatisfactory student"; De

Maxwell agrees to pay unions' fines

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent Maxwell House in Worship Mr Robert Maxwell, the

millionaire publisher, yesterday agreed to pay fines of £150,000 imposed on two printing unions whose members had been staging an occupation of his London headquarters. Mr Maxwell, chairman of

the British Printing and Communication Corporation, agreed to pay into the bank accounts of the National Graphical Association and Sogat '82, cheques for £80,000. Although each union was fined £75,000 by the High Court last week, Mr Maxwell agreed to pay an additional £5,000 "on account" of redundancy payments agreed for 65 employees. The two unions had warned

Mr Maxwell that he could face a complete shutdown of BPCC by May 7 unless he agreed to meet a £15 a week pay claim. That claim was yesterday withdrawn following his agreement to pay the unions' fines.

Technically, Mr Maxwell, who is hopeful of buying The Observer from Lourho in the current dispute over editorial freedom, did not pay the fines himself. That was done yesterday afternoon by the NGA and Sogat '82, but he did agree to reimburse the unions and pay the extra £5,000 on top of the Mr Maxwell's office said

last night that he had nothing

to add to a statement made

earlier in the day which

detailed the agreement for ending the occupation

Street in the City. That statement did not refer to the arrangement to pay the unions' statement said the

dispute between the corporation and the unions had been "ended amicably" and the occupation of the fifth floor of Maxwell House had been brought to an end. Under the terms of the agreement the unions have accepted 65 redundancies at Waterlow Security Printers, a subsidiary of BPCC.

The corporation has agreed to retain on its staff 23 printing employees "in the hope that it could obtain work suitable for a small printing unit in London."

Union sources indicated last night that the affair has cost Mr Maxwell about £300,000 because there is no limit on the redundancy payments available to those leaving Waterlow. The company has a high proportion of long serving employees and the terms agreed, four weeks for each year of service, could add around £120,000 to the Mr Maxwell's agreement to

pay the unions' fines came after two days of intense and often bitter negotiations with print ing union leaders which started at Mr Maxwell's Oxfordshire home on Monday night. At one stage there appeared

to be little scope for agreement, but then the unions emphasized that if Mr Maxwell did not pay Continued on back page, col 8 | notional benefit



Some of the 3,000 spectators basking in the sunshine at Lord's yesterday during the traditional curtain-raiser to the new cricket season. Last year the game had to be abandoned without a ball being bowled. But yesterday, with London temperatures touching 70F, the lucky crowd watched the MCC reach 235 for six in the first day of a three-day match against the champions, Essex. The weather picture was similar in most parts of Britain. Seaside resorts

in the South and South-West reported a mini-boom in spring holiday bookings and Bournemouth hoteliers said they were 85 to 90 per cent full, breaking all records for April. Many visitors, who had originally planned an Easter break, had decided to stay over In Devon, Torbay and Ilfracombe were bursting at the seams as trippers set off at dawn for the beaches.

The spring heatwave also brought scrub fires to North Yorkshire and the New Forest area of Hampshire. And

firemen in Devon brought under control a gorse fire which spread across bundreds of acres of Dartmoor A spokesman at the London Weather Centre said that there was unlikely to be any rain anywhere in Britain until after the weekend. The rest of Europe is suffering by comparison. Spain and Italy have experienced storms over the past few days and Corfu and Ajaccio have been covered by cloud. Photograph: Ian

Banks make £780m tax provisions

By Jeremy Warner

Barclays Bank and Midland Bank Group are to provide a total of £780m in this year's accounts to meet the cost of the changes in corporation tax and capital allowances that were announced in the Budget. This was disclosed to share-

holders of the two high street in London yesterday. National Westminster has already estimated that it may have to provide an extra £577m for taxation because of the changes and that Lloyds Bank is expected to put its own figure on the additional liability at its annual meeting next week.

City investment analysts have estimated that the four big clearing banks may together have to provide well over £1.7 billion in additional tax over future years - equal to the pretax profits of the four banks put together last year - because of the changes.

Midland is to put aside £230m in its 1984 accounts to meet the cost of changes in the way capital expenditure can be offset against tax and Barclays, Britain's biggest bank; is pro-viding £550m. With the blessing of the Bank of England, both are changing the additiona amounts against their built-up reserves.

The provisions have become necessary because banks have used the old capital allowances to defer tax indefinitely on income from their leasing business in which banks pay for capital equipment and then, in effect, rent it to customers such as big companies. But in the past banks have set aside only a quarter of the tax being deferred because nobody believed that it would ever become payable.

Now they believe that be-cause of the changes in the Budget, substantial amounts will have to be paid in future "They were subject to a

special tax in 1981 because it was alleged that they had a beneficial tax and profit pos-ition. The changes now proposed will therefore be a form of double taxation on a highly

Union leaders of 140,000 striking miners were offered talks yesterday on pit closures "as quickly as possible", but the immediate prospects of a negotiated settlement are not

The National Coal Board responded swiftly to a letter from the National Union of Mineworkers suggesting talks "anywhere at any time", with an invitation to attend the industry's national consultative council

However, union leaders boycotted a meeting of this body yesterday, and a union spokesman insisted that the letter from the general secretary, Mr Peter Heathfield, did not indicate any shift in the miners' hardline position.

The coal board is evidently anxious to break the deadlock in the strike, now in its seventh week, and Mr Ned Smith, its director-general of industrial relations, said: "We shall be rying to establish as a matter of urgency a special meeting of the

Liverpool reach the final

Liverpool reached the final of the European Cup for the fourth time yesterday with a 2-1 win at Dinamo Bucharest, but Dundee United's hopes of joining them were frustrated as they lost 3-0 to AS Roma.

Two goals from Ian Rush gave Liverpool a 3-1 aggregate win in front of a hostile crowd of 75,000 in Romania. The final, on May 30, will be played at Roma's home ground, the Olympic Stadium.

Dundee United's 2-0 advantage from the home leg of their semi-final was wiped out before half time in Rome, and a oenalty in the second half put them out.

Nottingham Forest were knocked out of the UEFA Cup semi-final 3-2 on aggregate after losing 3-0 to Anderlecht in

Miners offer more talks but make no concessions

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

coal industry's national con-turning up for work, despite the sultative council. Miners' leaders refused to attend yesterday's meeting of

charge denied by the board.

The board also said: "We have not made any shift in our attitude whatsoever. The board coalfields since the Easter has received a letter which stressed the willingness of the

any place to discuss with the coal board in a reasonable manner the future of the coal industry, based on the expansion of that industry." The latter phrase is the clue

union to sit down at any time in

to the miners' attitude. It confirms that they are refusing to negotiate on the board's plan 20.000 jobs.

close 20 pits, with the loss of But while the two sides were sparring over the form any resumption of negotiations could take, it became clear that

moderate miners are still

national union strike call.

In Nottinghamshire, there was heavy picketing at some the consultative council on the pits but all 25 cellieries were grounds that it was not the producing coal. The board appropriate body to negotiate reported that 46 mines were reported that 46 mines were the industry's future shape, a working yesterday, with 121

> coalfields since the Easter holiday was sufficient to restore the confidence of ministers yesterday that the miners will not unite to bring about a complete shutdown of the industry (Our Political Editor writes).

> That confidence wavered after the decision of the miners' delegate conference last week to try to spread the strike without a national ballot. Some members of the Government won-dered if Mr Arthur Scargil, the union president, had grabbed the initiative. But Ministers most closely

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EX-SERVICE MEN'S ASSOCIATION



Danes to explore wreck of Nelson flagship

From Christopher Follett Copenhagen

Danish divers will soon begin a major exploration of the wreck of the St George, Nelson's flagship before the battle of Copenhagen in 1801, which went down in a storm off Institute of Maritime Archae- ships died.

ology. Built in 1785, the 1,950-ton St George was, though smaller, similar to the Victory in design. It had a keel measuring 145 ft, a crew of 853, and 98 guns. Before the battle, Nelson transferred his flag to a smaller ship, to negotiate a shallow

George served in the Baltic, escorting ships carrying Scandinavian timber, flax, hemp, and tar to Britain during the Napoleonic wars. On Christmas Eve, 1811, on a crossing from Goteborg to England, the St George and the frigate Defence ran aground in a storm on a the west coast of Jutland in 1811. The divers are from the Danish National Museum's All 1,375 men on board the two

Although a considerable number of cannon, the ships' bells and an anchor were salvaged during the 1870s and onwards, it was not until the 1970s that local diving enthusiasts took a serious interest in

resulting in the discovery of a This led to a thorough wealth of artifacts a mile off the From 1809 to 1811 the St charting of the wreck by the windswept fishing hamlet.



The St George: Lost with all hands in 1811. National Museum last spring.

the waterline: the lower gun deck, the orlop and the main hold, set in a keel which is In these decks, which housed the sick bay, magazines, food stores and cabins and berths for stewards, boatswains and mid-

retrieved pottery, vases, jugs and other containers, barrel staves, various utensils, brass belt buckles, pieces of uniform and musket balls.

Mr Michael Teisen, the historian, archaeologist and diver in charge of the project, said its importance lies in the prospect of finding more artifacts from the storage areas of

The wreck is at a depth of the ship, everyday practical some 30ft. Only three out of six decks remain, all of them below naval history and which maritime historians lack. Diving is to begin in the next few days.

Mr Teisen said the artifacts should give a fuller picture of life and conditions at sea on the lower decks of a British warship

of the period. The National Maritime Museum in Greenwich has expressed great interest in the Danish project, Mr Teisen said, with a view to possibly acquiring some artifacts for the

Victory.
A £20,000 budget has been allocated for the project, which will employ five divers and another five experts for a total of 30 working days during the summer months, if the North Sea weather permits.

Power station coal stocks likely to last into autumn

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

short notice.

The network of nuclear

stations is maintaining output

load and output has been

gradually stepped up at the big

Pembroke and Fawley, where oil is piped direct from adjoin-

Merseyside, and Littlebrook and Isle of Grain on the

The generating board's oil-fired stations have the capacity

to produce 8,782 megawatts of

the total 53,749 megawatts of

capacity (16.3 per cent). How-ever, oil-derived electricity normally acounts for about 4

board closed several of its

the board will not officially divulge the extent of the

a million tonnes of heavy fuel

oil at a cost of £50m, has

pushed the spot price up by \$10 to \$175 (£121) in the past

The board also has

facility to "import" power form

Scotland where the South of Scotland Electricity Board and

the North of Scotland Hydro-

Electricity Board have sur-

pluses. The amount of power

taken from Scotland is, how-

ever, limited by the capacity of

the 275 kilovolt cable across the

The Libyan bureau crisis

'Unsatisfactory student' departs

remained in detention and

ported within the next day or

appears was in the bureau at the

time of the shooting last week of

Woman Police Constable

thought to have been in other

official Libyan buildings in

The Cabinet's emergency

indication of when the siege of

the bureau would be lifted and

the 30 to 40 people inside

finally taken to the airport for

their return. Sunday looks

probable, with the diplomats

emerging only hours before

midnight deadlines imposed by

The delegation sent by Colonel Gaddafi visited Sir

John Leahy, a deputy secretary

at the Foreign Office, before

beginning the detailed dis-

cussions over ending the siege

London ever since

been present.

Yvonne Fletcher and all are

None of the four, it now

month.

A third Libvan was put on an uncertain last night. But he

more were awaiting a Home looked likely also to be de-

man Libyan delegation which is committee, code-named Cobra,

here to supervise the evacuation met yesterday for about 90 of the People's Bureau in St minutes and Mr Leon Brittsh,

Saudi Arabia had accepted as State at the Foreign Office, and the protecting power to rep-

resent Libyans remaining here Metropolitan Police Com-

ames's Square. the Home Secretary, Mr It was announced too that Richard Luce, the Minister of

However, incursions into the

Thames Estuary.

at around 14 per cent of base

Improved weather and long- sudden surges in demand at range forecasts for a warm summer have stretched the potential life of coal stocks at power stations in England and Wales well into the autumn.

Mr Giles Shaw, Under Secretary of State for Energy, said in Commons written answer yesterday that stocks are now estimated to last "for many months". New figures calculated by the Central Electricity Generating Board showed that demand for power has dropped by almost 40 per cent from mid-January's neak

The board estimates that by May I demand will be running at around 3.5 billion units a day and by June 1 that figure will drop to 3.0 billion units a day. At the hight of winter, demand was slightly over 5.5 billion

The board has also increased its oil burning to preserve coal stocks and had been using the massive Diorwic hydro-power station in Snowdonia to meet peak demand such as during an episode of the television serial The Thorn Birds and when Torvill and Dean skated to their world championship victory.

The Dinorwic station is to be officially inaugurated by the Prince of Wales on May 9. Alhough it can feed power into the national grid for only five hours and uses six hours' worth of off-peak electricity to be pumped back up to operational readiness, it has proved that it can be successfully used to meet Borders.

aircraft back to Tripoli and 11

Office decision on their im-

mediate future last night as

Britain continued to tighten its immigration rules after the

break in diplomatic relations

with Colonel Gaddafi's Govern-

The figures were released in

Whitehall after a day which also

saw the start of talks between

senior officials and the three-

after the bureau has been closed

Ismail Mohammed El Harem,

aged 22, described by the Home

Office as a "unsatisfactory

student" who had been refused

permission to enter the country.

the former cultural attache at

the bureau, who arrived with

his wife and child in a party of

15 Libyans at Heathrow, was

told he could stay for only 48

hours to collect his belongings.
The fate of Mr Matooq

Matoog, the last of the four

students who took over control

But Mr Ibrahim Aboyrzizah.

The Libvan who left was Mr

James's Square.

at the weekend.

Support urged for day of action

The Scottish trade union movement yesterday called on its members to give maximum support to a day of action on May 9 to support the miners'

Rallies will be held in Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen and Dundee, with dozens of smaller demonstrations in Scottish towns. The Scottish miners' presi-

dent, Mr Mick McGahey, said he hoped for the "mass mobilization of the Scottish five oil-burning stations at people" in support of the strike, and told a meeting of Scottish TUC and National Union of ing refineries, and at Ince on Mineworkers' officials in Edinburgh that the miners' struggle to defend jobs "is a struggle to defend the whole of the Scottish economy".

> Miners' pickets in Scotland yesterday allowed supplies of oil through to the Thomas Russell paper mill at Markinch, in Fife, where the jobs of 1,500 workers were threatened as the plant ran But at Barony Colliery in

per cent of supply - the figure was 2 per cent in the mid 70s before oil prices rose and the Ayrshire, pickets refused smaller oil-fired stations - and allow a team of safety workers ground to carry out essential maintenance in spite of appeals from the National Coal Board that the pit could be Rotterdam spot market for half lost with 550 jobs.

> ● A high-powered air gun pellet hit a window at Bolsover colliery in North Derbyshire, narrowly missing a security guard, yesterday. Police confirmed that they

Led by Colonel Abdul Shaibi.

official in Tripoli with the rank

of a deputy minister, the

delegation left their hotel early

yesterday in separate cars to start the talks. Although they do

not seem to have visited the

bureau, they are reported to

have been in contact by

The announcement that the

Saudi embassy in Belgrave Square will safeguard Libyan

interests here was made in Parliament and followed confir-

mation by the Foreign Office

that Italy was to be Britain's

It is customary under such

to have a small "special

interests" section of its diplo-

mats installed at the embassy of

the protecting power, as Britain

Support for Britain came

esterday from the political

Belgium also told Libya of

the need to observe diplomatic

propriety, while Gerr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West

German Foreign Minister, was

said by reliable sources in Bonn

to have postponed a planned

affairs committee of the Euro-

pean Parliament

and Argentina have done since

protecting power in Libya.

with the people

were investigating. Nails were ers' strike fund. found scattered on approach roads to the pit at about the time of the incident, and police are also investigating com-plaints that female canteen staff the colliery have been threatened with violence if they continue to work normally.



Prison protest: Miners demonstrating at Lincoln jail is support of four pitmen held on remand.

Labour plans levy to aid miners

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

such as fund-raising events and door-to-door collections.

forward money direct to the strike fund. No central total will be kept and no conditions are being attached by the party to the uses to which it will be not although Mr. James

put, although Mr James Mortimer, the party secretary, said last night: "I have no

doubt that the great bulk of the

money will go on the alleviation

The Labour Party has about 270,000 members. The levy is

voted against their party's

proposal to approve a poten-tially illegal budget in which

A Liberal proposal for a rate rise of about 20 per cent and no

redundancies in the council's

workforce failed to win support

from other parties, although it

appeared at one point that Conservative councillors might support it. A Conservative plan

for a smaller rate rise and a

programme that might lead to

redundancies: was beaten by a

withheld from the proposed

disagreement about the compo-

sition of a working party to

Sir Trevor Jones, the Liberal

examine the council's finances.

group leader, and Mr Chris-

topher Hallows, the leader of

the Conservative councillors,

both said that it was important

Conservative support

would not

embers, or by other means

Parties are being asked to

The Labour Party yesterday allied itself more firmly to the miners' fight against pit clos-ures by calling on its members contribute more than £100,000 a week to the National Union of Minework-

In a move which marks a escalation of the dispute, and for which there appears to be no precedent in modern times, the party's national executive con decided to ask constituency Labour parties to raise money for the strike fund by levying a minimum of 50p a week from

of the numbers are pensioners but, even if they were excluded, the party could manage well over £100,000 a week if its members were willing to pay.

A motion passed unani-mously by the executive stated:

We recoginze that the strike is

entering a new and decisive stage. The establishment of a Tory 'War Cabinet', the buying of extra oil for the power stations; and the penal operation and manipulation of the social security payments sys-tem - all indicate clearly that the Tory Government is trying to starve the miners back

Deadlock again on 'Shoot to Liverpool budget

By Hugh Clayton, Local Government Correspon

revenue

expenditure.

large majority.

City councillors in Liverpool vesterday for the second time in a month to agree a budget for the financial year which began at the start of April. The Labour-led council therefore remains the only rating authority in Britain which cannot yet send out demands for payments of rates

to help finance its spending. The council is being kept affoat mainly by rents from its tenants and istalments of government rate-support-grant worth more than £1m a month. The grant payments are

higher than they would have budget. That is because grant is being paid as if the council was keeping its total spending down to the target fixed by ministers. The council's next budget

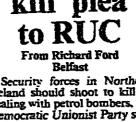
meeting will be held in mid-May after next week's election in which 34 of the 99 seats will be contested. The present composition of the council is 51 Labour, 30 Liberal and 18 Conservative.

Liberal News, the newspaper of the Liberal Party, said of Liverpool in a review last month of the May council elections: "It would take a major reversal of fortunes there

for Labour to lose control." Yesterday's six-hour meeting of the council ended in the same deadlock as that in March, when six of the controlling group of Labour councillors

for the council to ensure that government commissioners were not sent to administer it because it was not carrying out

Mr John Hamilton, the leader of the controlling Labour group, said that Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, appeared to be "a man who lacks compassion and human understanding and appreciation of the needs of humanity".



Security forces in Northern Ireland should shoot to kill in dealing with petrol bombers, the Democratic Unionist Party said yesterday.

lan Paisley, the party leader, which met Sir John Hermon, the Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, for talks on security. The demand for a shoot-to-kill policy comes after the death of a soldier on Monday after a two-vehicle army patrol came under petrol and gun attack in Londonderry.

Mr James Allister, a DUP Liberal budget because of Assembly member for east Antrim, said a petrol bomb could kill as easily as a shotgun. Anyone wielding one should be dealt with for the weapon of death that he has in his hand because he obviously has it for a terrorist purpose and should be dealt with as the threat he

from rioters.

Sir John stopped seeing politicians in 1981, determined to ensure that the RUC never became an openly political instrument. But in the wake of the killing of three church elders in Armagh last year he came under pressure to drop his

Car scatbelt legislation should be extended beyond the three-year trial period, the Casualty Surgeons Conference in Edinburgh was told yesterday. Mr William Rutherford, a consultant at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, said the trial had led to a marked drop in the number of serious brain, chest and kidney injuries. Figures from 15 casualty departments in British hospitals showed there had been up to 20 per cent fewer crash casualties.

School post for

Mr Wayne Williams, who served three months in prison three years ago after taking part e was once banned from the

Mr Williams, from Tregaron Dyfed, had been found guilty of conspiracy to damage broad-casting equipment during a campaign for a Welsh language fourth television channel.

'Below stairs' writer dies

Margaret Powell, the author and braodcaster who became mown for her books about her harsh carly life "below stairs" as a domestic servant, died yesterday in a clinic at Hove, East Sussex. She was 76. Her last

NHS brings | Decision of council on Zola Budd in balance

in blood

handling

charges

By Nicholas Timmins Social Services

Correspondent

Health Service, ranging from £19.75 for a unit of whole blood

to £82.75 a donation for some

The charge is meant to relate

Health authorities are being

told not to include any mention of "sale of blood" when they

bill private hospitals for the

service. It is also a condition of

supply that private hospitals do

November that a handling

charge was to be introduced

which saw the move as

capitulation to union pressure.

In Scotland, health service unions blocked for a time the

supply of blood to a new private

hospital, Ross Hall in Glasgow. Vesterday, the British United Provident Association

said that it was disappointed

that charges had been intro-

private hospitals,

mercially.

blood products.

The government has intro-

By Robin Young

Mr lan Jackson, leader of the Labour-run Torfaen borough council in Gwent, said yester. duced handling charges for blood provided to private patients by the National day that there was "only a fifty. fifty chance" of his council banning the South African-born athlete, Zola Budd, from competing at the UK championships in the council's Cwmbran stadium next month. The Labour group meets tonight to discuss the issue.

The charges come into effect from this month but may be revised, possibly upwards, next year after detailed studies on Even if they proceed with the attempt to bar Miss Budd from the track, it will not affect her the cost of supplying blood and associated products. chances of representing Britain In 1982, more than 32,000 mits (about two-thirds of a in the Olympic Games. She has been invited already to the pint) of blood were supplied to British Olympic trials on the "" private hospitals, a figure that evening of June 6 for her chosen '' is likely to have risen with increased activity in that sector.

distance, the 3,000 metres.

At Cwmbran, Miss Budd intends to compete in the 1,500 to collection, handling and metres, and although the event transport costs, and not to include any element for the blood itself as ministers are is intended to form part of her "" Olympic training and build-up, it would have no bearing on her qualification.

anxious to preserve the tra-dition of blood donation. Mr Jackson said: "I believe For whole blood the charge will be £19.75 a unit, and for blood products the charges range from £6.75 for cryoprecithat the council, as both owners and administrators of the Cwmbran stadium do have powers to keep Miss Budd out pitate which contains clotting factors, to £82.75 for white cell of it unless the laws of property have been changed drastically overnight.
This Government is quite concentrate which is used, for example, in the treatment of

capable of that, but in the first instance we would hope that the British Amateur Athletic Board " would be intelligent and decent enough to accommodate our wishes, since Torfaen council have been such bountiful hosts ... to them in the past."

not make a profit by charging patients for the blood. Mr Jackson agreed that if the Health authorities are being board refused to withdraw Miss ... told that only in exceptional Budd from the championships, the council's only recourse would be to cancel the contract circumstances should they supply blood products in which the NHS is not self-sufficient for the hire of the stadium, and -and which are available comface the possibility of bills for " The announcement last

"I do not believe that so -many final commitments have been made that claims for ... compensation would necessarily succeed", he said, "but if we decide to take a moral stand ...

we must be prepared to pay ' A spokesman for board said last night: "We will have nocomment on the attitude of . Torfaen council until they decide what it is, but it would seem impossible for the board to ban any British citzen from the UK championships.

Action in schools a step nearer

By Colin Hughes

A long summer term of industrial action in Britain's schools came a step nearer yesterday when the second largest teachers' union decided to reject an improved pay offer before it is made.

The decision at the annua conference in Llandudno, of the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, makes it difficult for the executive of the National Union of Teachers, the largest teachers union, to accept the 4.5 per cent offer which the management is expected to make next Monday.

The leaders of the National Union of Teachers have so far shied away from prediciting their reaction to the expected offer, which would be an increase on the present 3 per cent offer. Many of the union's executive doubt that they can win more than 4.5 per cent, but its members displayed considerable militancy at annual confer-

ence in Blackpool last weekend. Yesterday, however, the union suggested "possible cooperation" with the association if industrial action takes place in a letter from Mr Doug McAvoy. acting general secretary of the NUT, to Mr Fred Smithies, the general secretary of NAS/UWT.

The association with 120,000 members agreed yesterday to a programme of industrial action to start on Monday. Members will withdraw frm non-contractual duties such as lunchtime supervision, staff meeetings and cover for absent colleagues.

The association's action committee will draw up plans for selective strikes targeted at the most vulnerable schools and timetables, particularly where members hold key positions.

It will also propose "high profile" action, such as focusing on schools in the Prime Minister's constituency, Finchley in north London, Sir

the employers' leader. Mr Philip Merridale, is chairman of the local education committee. After the debate, Mr Smithies

Keith Joseph's constituency in

Leeds and in Hampshire, where

need to offer 7.5 per cent, or agree to arbitration before the action could be called off. He said that it could turn into

a long dispute. Teachers' anger had broken this year because employers had been "getting teachers on the cheap" for more than a decade.

The NUT has agreed similar industrial action to start on Tuesday and a one-day national srike on May 9, if the improved " offer is rejected.

• A teacher told the conference yesterday that a pupil aged " 11, at his school, is given

tranquillizing drugs by his mother to enable him to watch violent and sexually explicit video films.

Mr Christopher Allen, of Kirkstall Middle School, near Leeds, said that boy had told him that he enjoyed watching " 'video nasties".

"But he said he has one difficulty. They frighten him out of his wits, and his mother ... hives him her tranquillizers so that he may be able to sit through the experience."

He cited examples of films which depicted violence among young people or sexual attacks on young girls. He suggested that video nasties endangered school discipline, and damaged pupils' ability to work by making them disturbed and tired from staying up late to watch.

Legislation to censor video, films would restrict personal freedom, but that was a necessary risk, he said. The conference agreed to support ... the proposed legislation.

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Tate buys up modern prints at Christie's

modern prints at Christie's yesterday. It spent £1,188 estimate £700 to £1,000) on a nlate in the foreground contains an apple and some cherries. It is

a characteristic pop image.
In the same mood, the Tate spent £216 (estimate £150 to £200) on a 1974 James Rosenquist etching with aquatint entitles (and depicting) "Sun-

line with expectations David Hockney ran away with the top prices in modern print

Weather Series" (estimate £1,500 to £2,000). The other was his 1974 etching with aquatint, "Artist and Model" (estimate £2,000 to £3,000). The morning sale totalled £103,685. with 11 per cent left unsold.

The Tate Gallery also confirmed yesterday that it has bought Mark Gertler's The Merry-Go-Round of 1916 from the Ben Uri Gallery. The price has not been revealed but it is believed to be in the region of £150,000.

The painting had been consigned to Christie's for sale and appeared in the catalogue of their March 9 sale of modern British paintings. There was then an outcry against its open market sale and possible export and it was withdrawn

of the bureau in February, was and closing down the bureau. Deportees 'arranged protest'

The three Libyan students who have been in control of the People's Bureau since February and who were expelled from Britain this week were all in the bureau the night before the shooting, according to Libyan sources in London.

The sources say that they left at about 3 am having telephoned numerous Libyan students to arrange the com demonstration, but Mr Saleh Ibrahim Mabruk returned early the next morning. He was arrested for obstructing the police before the demonstration took place. Mr Abdul Ghadir Khalifa

Baghdadi and Mr Matooq

Mohamed Matoog stayed in London after the shooting and

last weekend went to the Libyan consulate in Prince's Gate, south-west London. It is understood that Mr Baghdadi was arrested outside the con-sulate early Tuesday moraing and Mr Matoog later that day. Police sources said yesterday, however, that they could have arrested both men at any time

since the shooting.

The fourth member of the committee which took over the bureau on February 18, Mr Ali Abu Jaziah, returned to Libya week before the shooting.

In the Lords yesterday, Lord Avebury tabled a question

asking whether the deported students had been fully in-formed of their rights to a bearing

Me said: "I have no sympathy at all for the Libyans but, having set up a procedure, it should not be abandoned. It is bad law to discriminate between different classes of

The Liberal peer was ques-tioning whether the students had been told that they had a right to appeal

The Home Office confirmed last night that the students had a right of appeal against deportation and said they had

all been so informed. Bribe case lover 'did not tell'

A senior employee with a London council was named as taking bribes after his love affair turned sour, the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday. Mr Benjamin Hamlin, aged 47, district maintenance officer

with Wandsworth council, was questioned by detectives after the break-up of his affair with a Cottages, Copthorne, West council cashier. The cashier, Mrs Mary Sheridan, aged 46, had lived with Mr Hamlin for two years

before he left her and, shortly Hamlin in 1972 and started to afterwards, married another women. But Mrs Sheridan denied in court that she was extremely bitter. She agreed that she asked Mr Hamlin to pay her £1,000 for his "dirty trick". But she

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strongly denied she sent an anonymous letter to the council's director of housing about him taking bribes. Mr Hamlin pleaded not guilty to four sample charges of corruptly receiving about £1,000 in bribes for giving

1972 and 1976. Mr Barbara Mills, for the prosecution, said that Mr Ronald Pettit, a building and

council work contracts between

They met on social occasions

and Mrs Sheridan knew about bribes. cash payments made when Mr "tucked the money into Hamlin's jacket pocket". Mr Hamlin, of North View

moneys received were loans which he repaid. Mrs Sheridan, who met Mr



Mrs Sheridan

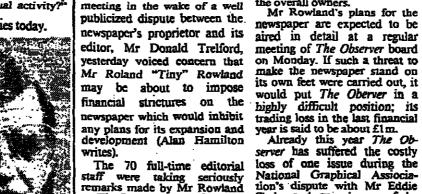
glazing contractor, paid Mr live with him in 1977, agreed Hamlin between £10 and £20 a she accepted money from Mr time for "work favours".

Hamlin for their housekeeping and believed it came from

Mrs Sheridan agreed that she had threatened to report him for allegedly taking bribes but she would "never have done it", Mr Brian Lett, for the Sussex, told the police that any defence, asked: "You made attempts to win him back by your physical sexual activity? The trial continues today.



Mr Hamlin



to The Times and published in yesterday's later editions, in which he said that Mr Donald Trelford and his staff would in future have to run the namer on its own parlous finances with-

to Observer finances Journalists at The Observer, out any assistance from Lonrho, the overall owners.

Mr Rowland's plans for the publicized dispute between the newspaper are expected to be

Campaign trail: Mr Michael Poulter, Labour's candidate in the Stafford by-election, on May 3 touring the constituency

with Mr Neil Kinnock, the party leader, yesterday.

Journalists fear threat

meeting of The Observer board yesterday voiced concern that on Monday. If such a threat to make the newspaper stand on its own feet were carried out, it would put The Oberver in a highly difficult position; its newspaper which would inhibit trading loss in the last financial any plans for its expansion and development (Alan Hamilton Already this year The Already this year The Observer has suffered the costly

loss of one issue during the National Graphical Assiociation's dispute with Mr Eddie Shah, and two issues of its colour magazine, ironically because of a dispute in the works of Mr Robert Maxwell, who wants to buy the news

kill' plea

The strategy was urged by a delegation of five led by the Rev

undoubtedly is." Petrol bombing has occurred almost nightly in Londonderry for weeks, with soldiers and police coming under attack

Yesterday's meeting between Sir John and the Democratic Unionists was hailed as a breakthrough by the party, which has long demanded faceto-face talks with him.

boycott and reassure politicians.

Surgeon wants seatbelts kept

campaigner

in a Welsh language campaign, has been appointed head of the Welsh department at Llandiloes High School, in Powys, where classroom.

book. The Butler's Revenge, was

sale with two of his works reaching £3,240. One was "Rain", a 1973 lithograph oublished this month.

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent printed in colour from "The The Tate Gallery was buying

Roy Lichenstein lithograph and silk screen printed in colours of 1974 entitled "Still Life with Portrait." The portrait depicts a glossy female beauty while a

glass, Landing Net, Triangle."

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Decision Council on Zola Bud in balance

Solicitor's clerk defrauded £1.5m from building societies, banks and clients

A solicitor's clerk who defrauded clients, building societies and banks of £1.5m to hold on to his job was jailed for three years by Snaresbrook Crown Court, east London,

yesterday.

Danzie Hazell, aged 47,
generated the money by awarding himself mortgages under false names and with fake references and by speculating on the property market, Mr Alun Jones, for the prosecution,

But in 1982 there was a slump in the market and Hazell lost large amounts of money, Mr Jones said.

Hazell, had to steal thousands of pounds from clients' accounts to bail himself out. He robbed Peter to pay Paul",

false names. But Mr Jones said: "Although Hazell stands alone in the dock, police are inquiring into the activities of more professional people. He is one

of a large number.

Mr William Howard QC, for the defence, said that Hazell did not use the money to live a high life but he and his family existed on the bread line. Mr Howard said that Hazell who never completed his solicitors exams feared his

frand was employer would discover that the office he ran was making solicitors in Church Street, Stoke Newington, north London, who employed him, transferred their accounts to a computer in June, 1982.

By then Hazell had 35 properties, two property companies and 13 bank acreements.

Examples Property Companies are property companies and 13 bank acreements.

East Barnet, Hertfordshire, admitted 14 charges of obtain-ing property by deception, five charges of their and two of false accounting.

Police sources said afterwards that similar charges of fraud were likely to be lodged against between six and ten professional people within the next few months. They included solicitors, estate agents and

building society managers.
The total amount clients will lose is likely to be more than

Seat pledge by new airline

By Michael Baily

Any booked passenger who turns up at Gatwick for a Virgin Atlantic flight to New York from June will be guaranteed a scat, the airline said yesterday.

But passengers will lose £5 of their refunds if they cancel more than three days before a flight and £35 in the final three

These arrangements mark an attempt by Virgin to beat the double problem that has bedevilled air travel for years: overbooking by airlines and passengers who do not turn up.

It is a problem that feeds on itself: because passengers regularly fail to show up, airlines regularly overbook; and to ensure against being shut out by one airline, the traveller often books a duplicate seat on another, intending only to use

to New York has been postponed a week to June 22, promised yesterday: "We will not overbook. Virgin Atlantic is offering the passenger booking

But the company expects passengers to play ball too. It will not only impose a penalty charge on passengers who cancel but will also refuse to make refunds if they fail to turn up without cancelling. Instead, these passengers will be offered a seat on the next available flight on a strictly standby basis.

by the Mr Richard Backed the pop music millionaire. Virgin Atlantic is apparently having difficulty meeting its early deadline as Britain challenger to the American cut price airline, People Express. It was granted its standards of other European licence only last month and a several senior appointments have still to be made.

At £99 for an inaugural week, £119 throughout the summer (129 at weekends) and £110 for winter season. Virgin fares will be comparable to those of People Express and far below regular scheduled fares.

Timeshare law urged to protect owners

Legislation should be intro- including France, Spain and the duced to give protection to purchasers of timeshare holiday units, Mr James Edmonds, a solicitor who has made a study of timesharing in Britain and abroad, urges in a book published today. He believes the answer is to

have a timeshare Act, and he calls on the British Property Timeshare Association, a representative body for UK developments, to press for legis-

He argues that the association lacks teeth because there is no legal backing. "The protection offered by the association therefore falls somewhat short of the standard which, in the view of many, the consumer is entitled nowadays to expect".

Timesharing - the acqui-sition of holiday or other property for a defined period in each year for a number of years - is one of the leisure industry's virgin, whose first £99 flight tarted in 1979 in Torquay. There are now 20,000 timeshare owners and 41 resorts in the

> Throughout the world it is estimated there are one million owners, and 1,200 timeshare resorts in 38 countries.
>
> Mr Edmonds, in Inter-

out that in several countries, 2LX: £18.50.)

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

United States, laws have been passed, or are under consideration, to protect purchasers from such difficulties as loss from uncompleted develop-ments, problems involving time-use, and from hard-sell marketing practices.

The association said yesterday that it was in frequent contact with the Department of Trade and the Office of Fair Trading, but it had no plans at present to seek legislation. The association has an insurance bonding scheme, a consumer protection committee and a code of conduct which, according to Lord Garnock, its chariman, "means that the BPTA leads the world timeshare industry in consumer protection. No other national timeshare association has done so much to protect the con-

About 90 per cent of all UK developments have association membership, and the consumer protection committee has the power to impose a fine, award financial damages or suspend or terminate membership.

International Timesharing, James Edmonds. (Services to Lawyers Ltd., Unit 1. Robin Hood Mr Edmonds, in Inter- Works, Robin Hood Road, national Timesharing, points Knaphill, Woking Surrey GU21

Television screen sizes change to centimetres

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

sets sold in Britain have been forced to change their description of screen sizes to more accurately reflect the amount of picture seen by the viewer. In order to conform to the. countries, the new sizes, known as "visible screens", will be shown in centimetres.

The new descriptions have been introduced because of pressure from trading standards officers who believe that buyers think they are getting televisions larger than they really are. At the moment, sets are larger than the screen because of

change has also come about because it is accepted by the world's tube manufacturers as an international standard.

television sets sold or rented in Britain last year. New sets will have the visible screen shown in centimetres but, during the interim phase, probably about two years, the old sizes in inches will be displayed with the new on existing stocks. A typical sign would read "20 inches (old tube measurement): 48 centimetres (visible screen size)" The new size can vary according to the manufacturer.

Thinking British 'could save 350,000 jobs'

Other prizes went to Addis,

campaign; to Marks & Spencer for setting the best example in

its Think British policy, and to Mr Frank Oxley, of Oxley Threads, which manufactures

cottons and bobbins, for his

personal initiative in supporting

and promoting the campaign in the North-west.

Dame Shelagh Roberts:

Practical answers.

• The Montego got off to a

flying start yesterday with a f2m order from Hertz Rent a Car, which is taking delivery of

around 250 Montego 1.6 litre cars (the Press Association reports). Some have been

booked already by motorists

The Children's Legal Centre,

is an independent organization

concerned with law and policy

wanting to drive one.

the centre, said.

affecting young people.

'Give children more say

Children should have a ings but are important tamily

greater say in divorce, the members who should have a Children's Legal Centre said right to full consultation and

vesterday in comments to a representation at all stages," Mr government committee on Robert Ludbrook, a solicitor at

If every bride were to buy industry. The Austin Rover British goods when setting up Group also carried away one of home. 100,000 jobs would be guaranteed for British workers. Alternatively, if everyone in Manchester were to dress of Hertford, which manufac-exclusively in British clothes. 40,000 jobs would be safe-guarded in the textile and and practical use of the clothing industry mainly in the

Those were among the statistics given at the Piccadilly Theatre, in central London. yesterday when the first awards for the Think British campaign were presented. The campaign, launched

nearly two years ago by a group of celebrities, leaders of women's and consumer move-ments and the professions, aims to persuade every household to switch £3 of its weekly spending from imports to British goods and thereby save 350,000 jobs in two years. Dame Shelagh Roberts, a

member of the European Parliament and chairman of the Think British Council, said: "In far too many industries, far too many countries make monkeys

out of us."
"We insist on playing cricket while the rest of the world responds by bowling us hand grenades", she said, "We are the only campaign with practical answers to the question of how to create jobs and put Britain back on its feet."

The star of the show was

Austin-Rover's new silver-grey family saloon, which appeared enshrouded with stage smoke to save the reputation of British

matrimonial proceedings.

"There should be a clear

recognition that children are not

peripheral to divorce proceed-

Asians press for senior legal posts

By Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent The Lord Chancellor is being urged to introduce a quota system to boost the numbers of

Asian lawyers appointed as Queen's Counsel, magistrate and judges.
In a letter to Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Society of Asian Lawyers gives a warning that "as a direct result of racial discrimination" large numbers of Asian barristers are now seeking to leave the

severely disillusioned with what the society describes as entrenched racist attitudes. Mr Rudy Narayan, acting chairman of the society's ad hoc committee, criticizes the latest list of appointments to the rank Queen's Counsel, released last week, as "savagely exclus-

He also complains about the non-appointment of an Asian barrister, Mr Asharaf Bashiri, to the ranks of the stipendiary magistacy. Mr Narayan had taken up his case with the Lord Chancellor.

"There is no doubt that there are many of ability and excellence, both among Asian barristers and solicitors, who could and should be pointed", he says.

At present, of some 4,800 practising barristers in England and Wales, about 200, or 4 per cent, are not white. There is no non-white High Court judges.
One circuit judge, one stipendiary magistrate, and four assistant recorders are non-white. An official in the Lore

Chancellor's Department said that only within the past 20 years or so had there been a significant increase in the numbers of black lawyers, and judges were appointed only from barristers of many years'

ехрегіевсе. But he added that the department did not "work on the basis of a person's colour.



the Gloucester Regiment who were overwhelmed by a huge Chinese force during the Korean war. Howe in Tokyo, Page 6.

National to use Old Vic annexe

Mr Ed Mirvish, the businessman who bought and restored the Old Vic at a cost of about £24m, has handed over the theatre's annexe for five years for use as a studio by the National Theatre.

Sir Peter Hall, director of the National Theatre, announced the gift at a lunch yesterday for patrons whose money will be used to run the studio.

Actors will learn their craft there. It will also be used to do research on styles of acting that are in danger of disappearing and to develop the work of new young writers.

700 ill in BA food poisoning outbreak

British Airways admitted yesterday that 631 of its passengers and 135 of its flying staff became ill with food poisoning on some of its Concorde flights and other services last month.

The airline faces claims for compensation from some of the passengers, including the British businessman, Mr Peter De Savary, the America's Cup yacht race backer, who spent several days in a New York hospital, and the deputy minister of compagners. ter of commerce in Saudi

The outbreak of salmonella poisoning was traced to a powder used to form a glaze on hors d'oeuvres served on some intercontinental flights, including the Concorde between March 12 and March 17.

The airline said yesterday that it had completed its investigations. Immediate steps were taken

to eliminate the cause", British Airways said. The number of passengers believed to have been affected by the outbreak is now 631. The number of flying staff affected was 135.

Wine trade welcomes hot weather

Despite 18p tax cuts off bottles of table wine there has been no sales surge, but if the burst of summer weather holds, the wine trade is expecting a sales boom

Beer sales, which earlier this year showed signs of a 3 per cent improvement, are also reported to be up

Figures from the Wine and Spirit Association covering January wine clearances show a drop for the first time since 1979 but that was because the trade, expecting the Chancellor to cut wine prices, reduced

Prince will meet claims for paint damage

By Michael Horsnell

Prince Andrew is expected to meet all demands for compensation from the journalists he spattered with white paint from a spray gun during his visit to California last week.

The cost of the damage to cameras and clothes, which happened when he visited the Watts district of Los Angeles to inspect a house reconstruction site, could approach £15,000.

But, so far, claims for only £1,200 have been filed against the Prince with the city's British Consulate which is vetting them before forwarding them, through the Foreign Office, to Buckingham Palace.

A Palace spokesman said yesterday: "We have heard about the claims but none has been received yet. As and when they are received the will be given the fullest said most urgent attention."

Mr Chris Gulker, a photographer with the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner, has filed an £800 claim and Mr Curt Gunther, an international pholographer working for the People magazine has filed for £400 to replace a paint-spattered camera.

A Herald-Examiner spokesman said he did not know whether the claims would be paid by the Prince. He said: "I don't know that any commitment has been made but I am sure that the claims will be seriously considered.

"We are trying to make arrangements to have the damage independently valued and when we have done that we shall forward the claims to

Prince Andrew was in the United States to help raise funds for the British Olympic team. He denied deliberately spraying journalists but made a brief apology 24 hours later.

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Tighter controls on Libyans

LONDON SIEGE

The occupants of the Libyan People's Bureau in St James's Square would not be permitted to remain beyond Sunday night when any diplomatic immunity expired. Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary told the Commons in a statement about the shooting incident in which Woman Police Constable Yvonne Fletcher died. The police would satisfy them-selves he said, that anyone emerging

from the bureau was not carrying arms and explosives with them when they left and then that the premises were safe and secure. The police view (he added) is that vithout the cooperation of those in

the bureau, it does not seem possible that evidence could be obtained which would sustain in court a criminal charge for the

We have informed the Libyans that the staff of the British Embassy will be withdrawn from Libya by midnight on April 29/30 and we look to the authorities there to fulfil their obligation to guarantee their

We have also made clear to the Libyan authorities that we hold them responsible for the safety of the British community in Libya to which we have attached the highest importance throughout. We have exercised our right to designate a

We are most grateful to the Italian Government for agreeing to undertake this task and the Libyan Government has agreed to this. In London, the embassy of Saudi Arabia will act in a similar way for

Mr Brittan said he was looking carefully at any evidence that the presence of any individual in Britain was against the national interest and was not besitating to use his powers of removal where is

Two Libyans had been deported since the shooting. Libyans who wanted to come to Britain from Libya would, for the time being, have to apply for visas in neighbouring states. Their appli-cations, and those from Libyans elsewhere in the world, would be referred to London where they would be thoroughly examined.

Applications for entry from those already holding extant visas would be similarly scrutinized and these when searching questions must be people were advised to reapply. people were advised to reapply.

These measures (he said) will

ensure that in the coming months only in the most exceptional circumstances will Libyan nationals be admitted to this country. He said that the murder of WPC

Yvonne Fletcher was a barbaric outrage which was a totally unacceptable and unprecedented breach of British law, international law and the Vienna Convention on

diplomatic relations.
I share the national sense of anger at the tragic death of a young policewoman and at the gross abuse of diplomatic immunities which

We have made every effort to resolve matters peacefully and by mutual agreement. The attitude of

the Libyan authorities has made it sible for normal relations to

We shall continue, as we have our obligations under the Vienna Convention. But what has occurred clearly raises serious questions as to the adequacy of the convention, its operation and enforceability. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, will now review these s and consider whether to put forward proposals for changes in the

international community.

MPs will appreciate (he added)

that until the Libyans who are going

have gone and the British Embassy staff in Libya return home the situation remains delicate. But we could not conceivably countenance Major rail

in accordance with international law. Libya for its part must now accept its clear responsibility for the protection and safe return of our

staff in the British Embassy and

explosion at Heathrow airport were continuing and it was not yet clear if it was connected with the incident

in St James's Square. Mr Gerald Raniman, chief Oppo-sition spokesman on home affairs, said Labour MPs offered their

deepest sympathy to the family and fiance of Miss Yvonne Fletcher. She died on duty (he said) and we owe a tribute to her and all the police involved in the tense vigil at

St James's Square.

The whole nation feels a bitter anger at the prospect of the murderer escaping the justice which should properly await him. But most people will understand why nat outcome seems inescapable.

The British Government must

demonstrate the importance of upholding the rule of international law even in the most repugnant circumstances. That means strictly abiding by the terms of the Vienna Convention. It is also proper and necessary in this odious situation that the Government must have the utmost concern for the reperussions of the lives of the embass

Kaufman: The nation feels a

bitter anger.

The House may not wish to

simution is still so fragile and the

return home of the embassy staff. But a further statement will be

required not later than next Tuesday

crisis could have been prevented or

kind used found their way into the

bureau and the conduct of the

be answered was why, three days

after the St James's Squre shooting

uggage was allowed to be left for

bours in terminal two at Heathrow

airport where flights from Libya

Security at Heathrow (he added)

seems to be negligent to the point of culpability and there must be an

urgent inquiry into it for the sake of

whole country is united. Britain will

not tolerate warring factions from

other countries using our cities as their private battlegrounds.

Britain stands absolutely for upholding the rule of international

order in a dangerous world.
It is because Libya has made an

ugly mockery of the rule of law that

of this unaccentable violation of

Mr Brittan Said extra precautions were taken at Heathrow airport after

the St James's Square shooting.

More measures had been taken

since and an examination of

practices was taking place between

the police and the British Airports Authority.

civilized behaviour.

law. It is the only safeguard

were known to arrive.

negotiations with the Libyans.

pursue certain matters while

the building so I cannot answer on the presence of diplomats in the building. Mr Peter Blaker (Blackpool, South, Ck I welcome the Government's intention to review the convention and one of the most important matters is whether diplomatic bags contain weapons. Will the Foreign Secretary raise that with his EEC

Mr Brittan: That is one matter which will no doubt be considered but the Vienna Convention states that diplomatic bags shall not be

What happened after Mr Adem

Kuwiri and his three colleagues were replaced by the so-called revolutionary students?

Were any students given diplomatic immunity? If so, when and why? If not, is there any reason to

believe that there were accredited

Mr Brittan: When the so-called

revolutionary committee took over

there were no additions to the Diplomatic List and none of the people concerned were accepted.

We do not know who exactly is in

Mr James Molyneaux (Lagan Valley, OUP). Leader of the OUP. In view of the long-standing Libyan support for Irish terrorists, will be look at the desirability of further extending the scope of the Prevention of Terrorism Act and invite the Foreign Secretary to alert and explain to the Irish-Americans the dangers of supporting any branch of international terrorism. Mr Brittan: We have comprehensi-

reviewed the prevention of terrorism legislation and in intro-ducing new legislation we made provision to extend that to international, as opposed to Irish terrorism. I hope the House will feel that that was wise.

Mr David Owen, leader of the SDP: The real questions have to be answered by the Home Secretary serious questions going right back to September 2, 1979, when the People's Bureau was first estab-One question which would have to

There is a disturbing report in the Washington Post today about the Government having been informed that an attack was likely to take

That shows the need for serious investigation. I understand that he is not able to answer today on an independent inquiry into all the events flowing from September 1979 right through but that should be undertaken and as much as possible of the results published so that the House and the

country can judge the conduct of affairs during that period of four

Government as a whole and am ready to answer questions on all aspects, even those which would in the Foreign Secretary. The breaking of diplomatic relations is a very serious step. It has only been taken by this country

the war in the cases of Albania.

Uganda and Argentine.

The international press regards our response to what happened in the streets of London as rob With regard to events since 1979, three Libyan dissidents were

th equanimity the outrage that we Mr Mark Carlisle (Warrington, murdered on the streets of London itsessed in London last week.

South, C: In the proposed review of in 1980. At that time there was no We are responding to it firmly but the Vienna Convention it is proof of the involvement of the ntial to distinguish between the bureau but none the less, its necessary protection of diplomats of secretary and three members were law-abiding countries throughout declared non gratz and had to leave

the world and the need, at the same the country.

time, to avoid the convention being used merely as a cover for terrorism clear link between that and the bureau, but none the less, apart from the four being charged and the Mr Brittan: I agree that these are ation of six Libvans.

aspects of the matter which the review will need to take into account, but one should focus, not Mr Kides Griffiths (Bury St only on the convention and its Edmunds, C: Did the Foreign provisions, but on its enforceability. Office pass to the police advance Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party: The Home Secretary used the phrase "diplomatic immunity expires" on Sunday. warning that there could be a violent cruption if the protest march

Was it a police or a political decision that the waiting and wearing down strategy which has so often worked should be terminated How are the police to satisfy themselves that no arms are taken

out of the mission if they may not examine the bags? Is the Home Secretary now prepared to enable the police, where in future they suspect that similar murder weapons are being brought in in diplomatic bags, to impound them at the port of entry, pending an application for a search warrant

doubted connexions with the IRA, will he make plain that one way or another the murderer of Yvonne Fletcher, if he does not face justice in this country, will be expected to

M Brittan: About the change in the law, he knows that I cannot commend that to the House because Convention, and in the absence of international agreement, it would

not be possible to do that.

About that the suggestion of advance warnings by the Foreign Office, the position is that the Libyans came to the Foreign Office,

They talked in terms of not being responsible for the consequences. That is language which has repeatedly been used by the Libyans in this context and what was envisaged was not a march but a demonstration and I do not have the power, in a free society, to ban demonstration.

demonstrations. That is a factor which the House will wish to take into account.
As for the decision on the wait and wear down policy, all decisions have been coordinated. It does not seem possible that evidence could be obtained to

sustain in court criminal charges of Mr Michael Mates (East Hampshire. C): Will ministers return to the House and give full details of the

ammunition used and the weapons which must surely be found and which murdered WPC Fletcher? Some of us will want to speak more fully when the time is ripe not only about the searching of persons but an assurance that nothing will have left the People's Bureau which

could have been used to perpetrate this outrage. There should be concerted allied action over the Vienna Convention. incident with our friends in the international community and many have expressed their support for the action we have taken occurred. The Prime Minister has sent personal messages to certain heads of government and action has

Mr John Home Robertson (East Chelsea, on press reports that warnings came school in Chelsea but the Govern-



Brittan: Gross abuse of diplomatic immunities.

Government take action?

Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson (New Forest, C) said there was concern that there might be incendiary and other devices inside the building designed to explode after the Libyans had left.

the police had well in mind. Dr Maurice Miller (East Kilbride Lab): Will he ask Sir Keith Joseph Secretary of State for Education and Science, to ensure that Libyan students in this country are genuine

limited value

immed value.

Mr George Walden (Buckingham.
C) said in relation to the convention
they were talking about 140 to 150
countries and it would take a decade
to change it. There was need for

ropean basis.

against this so-called embassy for so long when it appeared to be a base for terrorist operations and is now a haven for a murderer who will go scot free. Since none of this was envisaged by the framers of the

Mr Brittan: One of the reasons is that it happens to be part of our

knew that he was not a diplomat.

Government so he was unable to say whether or not the report was Lord Lloyd (C) asked whether the possibility of introducing sanctions

With the Vienna Convention where they started.

from intelligence sources of the possibility of an incident? Was any view of the premises. ment did not have such a suspicious

ich warning given and if so, did the Mr Brittan: It is not the practice to give details of intelligence matters No specific information that would ead us to believe an incident of thi kind would occur was in our hands

Mr Brittan said that point was one

Mr Tam Dalyell (Linlithgow, Lab): Four years ago some of us raised the issue of the abuse of diplomatic bags and were given an indication that electronic scanners were being considered. Surely guns and ammunition would show up on modern

Mr Brittsu: I am advised that without opening the bag or detaining it which is not something permitted under the convention, such scanning would in present circumstances be likely to be of

Mr Brittan said that was one Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Orpington, C): Many people are disturbed by the Government's failure to take action

 After the statement had been repeated in the House of Lords, Lord Mishcon (Lab) asked whether the Government was aware of an article in *The Times* which suggested that people in Tripoli knew the identity of the killer and Lord Elton, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said that was something of which those in Tripoli

heads of government and action has Lord Elton said the problem was been taken in the international that such things were not easy to control and they did not always stop

applying and being part of domestic Lord Chalfout (Ind) asked whether law I cannot much to my personal the Government intended to do deep regret, give the assurance he anything about an educational seeks. Lothian, Lab): Would be comment Lord Elton said he knew of the

NUM urged to talk to coal board chief

COAL DISPUTE

The coal dispute could not be solved by a wave of a wand from outside the industry, Mr Giles Shaw. Under Secretary of State for Energy, said in the Commons.

Mr Stapley Orme, chief Opposition systematic or me, the opposition spokesman on energy, who had asked a private notice question about the dispute, said the Government should sort out an energy policy based on long-term planning rather than on short-term inancial targets.

Mr Shaw said picketing had not deterred those intent on going to work. Coal stocks at power stations were at a high level for the time of year. It was enough to enable the electricity industry to meet commit-

ments for many months. The chairman of the National Coal Board (Mr Ian MacGregor) had made clear that the board was ready to continue discussions on the industry's long term problems how best to achieve restructuring necessary to realize a high volume. low cost industry which was the

aum.
The National Union of Mineworkers would not attend any of the industry's consultative committees. ncluding the joint meeting today (Wednesday) of the Coal Industry Consultative Council and the Coke Oven National Council.

Mr Orme said responsibility for the dispute lay with the Government.

The dispute (he said) is about jobs, the survival of whole communities and the future of a vital

industry. Yet after seven weeks of a union, refused to negotiate, major coal strike this Government Mr Shaw said Mr Scargil, president reach a solution. To what extent was the Govern-

nent subsidizing the National Coal Board to hold out against this strike? How much taxpayers money was being used to fund this fight against the miners? It could be better spent keeping pits open and

iobs intact. How did proposals made by Mr MacGregor, as reported in the press, differ from the regional plan to sack 20,000 miners and close 25 pits?

What efforts was the Government making to get fresh negotiations which put aside the closure plans and bring in a plan for the coal industry agreed by unions and

Would the Secretary of State for Energy (Mr Peter Walker) and Mr Shaw assume their responsibilities and sort out an energy policy based on long-term planning as opposed to short term financial targets?

Mr Shaw said the future fo coal was mainly within the hands of the industry itself. It had been underwritten by the Government and its predecessors with a lot of

taxpavers' money for the industry. More than £1,000m was going out each year from other workers in taxes to sustain the coal industry.

Investment was at £2m a day, a high

lot of money (he said) that the industry can look forward to a viable and high production future. This objective was shared by the board and recognized widely within the industry. That was why 40,000 miners were working today. He hoped the NUM would join in discussions involving the consulta-Mr Shaw told Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse (Pontefract and Castle-

ford, Lab) that the NCB intended to see that this year, as last year, there were no involuntary redundances in the programme. Sir Anthony Meyer (Clwyd North West, C) said North Wales miners particularly were in a dilemma; they wished to safeguard their excellent reputation by continuing to work.

Could the minister give them consolation and ensure that the Talks on snuff substitute from US

Mr Shaw: I give that assurance. Mr Alan Beith (Berwick upon

Tweed, L) said a decisive step should be taken to summon a meeting of the board chairman and the union with just one item on the agenda, Plan For Coal and how it could be implemented.

Mr Shaw said the board and workers in the industry had the capacity to resolve the matter. The NUM was clearly split on the is and it was not feasible for Mr Beith to suggest that somehow or other it could be resolved by a wave of a wand from outside.

Mr Andrew Stewart (Sherwood, C) said Nottinghamshire miners had voted to continue working and the NCB should implement the new age proposals on the table since st year so that these miners could get the increased pay award

Mr Shaw replied that this was a matter for the board. Mr Alexander Endie (Midlothian, Lab) said Mr Shaw should not deceive the House and the nation by implying that this was just a little local difficulty. Some 80,000 miners were on strike. He should call a meeting of the tripartite inquiry to

end the dispute on a policy of conciliation, not confrontation. Mr Shaw: If it is conciliation he is

after, why is there not a national ballot? Sir William Clark (Croydon South, C) said the strike had nothing to do

with pit closures but was a political strike. It was disgraceful that Mr Arthur Scargill, as head of the

of the NUM, had drawn his own conclusions as to what the dispute was about, but the industry's future was crucial to the country. Most damage was being caused to the

miners themselves and to the industry's future. Mr Richard Hickmet (Glanford and Scunthorpe, C): Would be agree that the gravest consequence is upon the jobs depend on coal? It seems apparent the NUM leadership is quite prepared to see the steel industry sacrificed on the altar of Arthur Scargill's political ambition. Mr Shaw: Arrangements have been

made to try to maintain some supply of coal to the steel industry. This is a fragile arrangement and the future of the steel industry is clearly Mr Antony Marlow (Northampton North. C): Has he any information as to the cost of this private army marauding around the North Midlands trying to persuade fellow workers not to go to their place of work, what their rates of pay are and

who is financing them?

information, but miners are losing very substantial amounts of money and it really must be absurd that other people are trying to prevent them resuming their earnings. Mr Tony Benn (Chesterfield, Lab): Is it not clear that, despite everything the Government and Mr

Mr Shaw: I do not have such

MacGregor have said, they have totally failed to persuade a vast majority of the NUM (Conservative shouts of: "How do you know?) as evidenced by the fact that the national overtime ban has been going on and 80 per cent of the miners are involved in industrial action...they totally failed to persuade them that it is right to have a massive policy of pit Is it not also the case that, despite all the assurances given by the minister, the Government cannot maintain energy supplies needed for

Is it not a fact that the support of the transport unions now being given indicates that many millions of people in Britain recognize that



production future. the miners, by their action, are

safeguarding the future energy supplies of the nation? Mr Shaw: I hardly think his last statement is consistent with his previous statements. A 4 per cent. reduction in output is what is being required of the industry during the

next year. That can hardly be sto to be a massive reduction in the industry. There is £2m investment per day and no suggestion of any major fall in resources. He has to get his facts correct. If the coal industry is to

have a future it must produce volume prices according to the market. Mr Frank Haynes: (Ashfield, Lab): When will the minister admit that Ian MacGregor is doing the dirty work of the Government? He has already announced 20 pit closures and if he gets away with those there will be 20 more to follow. Mr Shaw: He knows very well that in the discussions we have had about the future of the coal industry there has

been agreement that there has to be contraction. There can be no question of maintaining every single pit throughout every year. What is required now is an acceptance that without that objective being reached soon, the prospects for the coal industry interms of competing with world

supplies are remote Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab): Can he explain why it is that, on the one hand, the Government is prepared to ensure that oil fields that are marginally uneconomic can get support from the taxpayer as a result of the Bill which has gone through in the last 12 months whereas marginal pits, for some reason or other, which are likely to last much longer, cannot receive the

same sort of assistance to keep them

Is it not a nonsense to spend

£850m currently on this strike, together with the amount being spent on the police on £500 a week. and taking into account that if he looks at this matter long-term, this winter we started with 53 million. going to start next winter with no less than 30 million tonnes? Mr Shaw: No. Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton, South, SDP): The sad fact is that the people likely to be hardest hit by the strike are the miners. Is that not

because the leader of the mine; workers union is seeking to pursue his own political ends in this action? When the miners have balloted, as they should have done nationally, they have demonstrated that ther fully understand that. Will the Government demonstrate that it fully understands the

anxiety in communities that are being directly effected by pit closures, by pursuing the proposal to do for the coal industry the sort of work British Steel have done the closure of steel works? Mr Shaw: I understand importance of the suggestion but the characteristics of this industry are

steel where there were very large plants in very isolated communities. Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab): Will electricity prices be raised to fund additional oil purchases by the CEGB? Mr Shaw: That is a matter the (EGB will have to consider in due

closures ruled out

TRANSPORT

Britain had the worst financed railway system in Europe, Mr John Prescott, chief Opposition spokes-man on transport (Hull East, Lab), said in opening a Commons debate on the deterioration of the nation's transport systems. The return of five per cent on capital imposed upon the inter-city rail services would not be achieved, he stated.

Mr Prescott, who was moving an Opposition motion condemning the

privatization, reduced financial support and inadequate investment and calling for the adoption of of a modern developed ecomomy, said the Government was producing higher fares, fewer services and Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of

State for Transport, moving an amendment welcoming the Governtaxpayers.

obsession with competition, profit,

ment's steps to improve the transport system, said competition was good for both workers and travellers alike, and for the

At the next meeting of the EEC Council of Ministers, he would press for more competition in air dervices within Europe. There was no reason it should cost more to fly London to Glasgow when London-Paris was a shorter haul. The reason

investment in lorries, coaches sector investment. reversing the massive cuts in capital

six months approved new rolling stock comprising 400 vehicles worth £85m. He did not want a programme of major route closures. What was needed was a modern, efficient

More talks later this week

HONGKONG

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common

railway provided at a low cost to the taxpayer and that depended on providing services customers really ment which enables their way of life of continue as it is now, with their

freedoms, legal system and commer-cial way of life. This is the best ntion we can make and we

He said Sir Geoffrey Howe had pressed the matter of the necessary durability of an agreement, addithat the Chinese government had said they wanted any agreement to last at least 50 years after 1997.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab) was given leave under the 10-minute rule procedure to introduce the Discharge of Radioactive Material (Control) Bill to regulate further the discharge of nuclear material from existing and future nuclear reprocessing plants and other establishments. The Bill

Nuclear safety

HOUSE OF LORDS

with an American company which is planning to import into Britain a souff substitute said to cause cancer snuff substitute said to cause cancer of the mouth, Lady Trumpington, for the Government, said during questions in the House of Lords. Lord Henderson of Brompton (Lab) had asked if the Government accepted the conclusions of an article in the British Medical Journal that the rapid absorption of

Lady Trumpington: On the evidence available there are no indications at

nicotine from snuff confirms its

potential as an acceptable and

datively harmless substitute for

present that souff taking by be negligable, this fact is to be inhalation carries any substantial exploited as there are reports of an Lord Henderson of Brompton: Why

does the Government not actively encourage smokers who cannot kick

the habit, to change to snuff?

Lady Trumpington: The Government would not wish to encourage people to use snuff. Snuff products tain nicotine, an addictive drug, and such practice is to be According to the British Medical Journal. Lord Henderson of Brompton and the chief whip. Lord Denham, qualify as daily snuffers,

while apparently I am only a virgin snuffer. (Laughter) Lord Ennals (Lab); while the personal pleasures of snuff sniffing as opposed to solvent abuse seem to

American firm planning to launch on to the British market a product called Skoal Bandus which are sachets placed in the mouth and which have substantially the same? effect as snuff, but which produce. cancer of the mouth. Lady Trumpington: I am awate there are plans to put this type it.

The Government is having with the company concerned Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Housing Defects Bill, second reading. Lords (3): Rates Bill, committee, first day.

product, currently available in the United States, on the Brings-

Warning on 'national' police force By Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent

port policy based on an ideological

Government proposals for an ecution service could lead to the creation of a national police force, a leading member of the Society of Conservative Lawyers has said. In an opinion commissioned

by the society on the proposals, Mr Evan Stone, QC, criticizes the scale on which the prosecution system would have to be constructed. The only other country with a fully integrated prosecution service on such a scale is Japan,

he says in a paper which has gone to Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney General. "While few would advocate a national police force, the logic of a centrally integrated national prosecutiuon service could lead to argument for such a national police force." He urges the Government instead to adapt the present prosecution service and to introduce either a locally-

based system with some national features" or a decentra-

lized national system.

Civil Service's top jobs empty 'because of low pay'

The Government is finding increasing difficulty recruiting people of sufficient calibre to fill top Civil Service posts. Last year, it filled an average of 79 per cent of the vacancies in senior administrative grades

and the tax inspectorate. There was a similar shortfall in candidates making the grade in specialist jobs such government accountancy, legal work and translation. Only 12 of 20 positions for

economists were filled, and less

than half of the jobs available Those trends, certain to be seized on by Civil Service union leaders in their arguments for higher pay, are made clear in the annual report of the Civil Service Commission published today.

The commission, responsible for the bulk of recruitment into the Civil Service, hints that pay scales are a growing disincen-"There is likely to be a continuing shortfall in the supply of qualified professionals

gives cause for concern.

the longer-term outlook

not worried by the number of principals, and sometimes exapplicants, for example, there were nearly 3,000 applicants for the 60 prestige administration Instead, the problems are the *sometimes disappointing qual-

ity" and the fact that consider-

able numbers drop out after they have been offered a civil The report says that a feature of the special scheme to recruit people with mangerial skills at the more senior rank of principal "was that in general andidates' salaries in their current jobs were as high as that

Top admin posts Tax inspectors Scientific grades Account 22 760 11 Floures refer to 1983 recruitment

Government recruiters are which they could be offered as The shortfall in recruits extends right across the spec-

trum of specialist government

jobs, with exceptions for trainee

diplomats, planning inspectors and biologists for the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. There were notable gaps in new manpower in statistics, computing and all the engineering specialities. Recruitment to posts in accountancy is a notable example of the sort of problems we experience when seeking to fill posts in specialisms which

are in strong demand and in

which here is a national shortage of suitable-qualified

Another worry for the Cabi net Office, which controls governent manpower, is likely to be the commission's disappointing trawi for talent among junior civil service grades as part of an effort to switch people to a "fast track" to responsible management jobs.
Fewer were selected for the scheme than in 1982.

Homes Bill criticized by Shelter Shelter, the national cam-paign for the homeless, is calling for wider government

ditional and industrialized construction methods (our Property Correspondent writes). The demand coincides with the second reading today of the Government's Housing Defects bill, designed to give a right of assistance to the private owners of certain defective homes of

cannot on its own provide the solution. The Government solution. The Government says the Bill will help up to 16,500 owners but the number of potentially defective dwellings could be as high as 1.5 million. Shelter also says that unless special arrangements are made, the Bill will discriminate against

But Shelter says the Bill

The League of Friends of a hospital which health ministers

Mission Hospital, a 100-yearold hospital in Tower Hamlets, east London, are asking Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Minister for Health, to give them the hospital to run on a charitable and voluntary basis with no charges to patients - the model for many hospitals prior to

Hamlets Health Tower Authority was planning to close the hospital, which once had 62 beds but now houses only a community health clinic and a temperary family doctor surgery, at the end of May. It has, however, agreed to defer the closure and planned sale for two months to allow the idea. which is being backed by Mr Peter Shore, the local MP and Labour's trade and industry spokesman, to be explored. Founded as a Christian hospital to preach the gospel

The friends argue that the deprived inner-city area has exceptional needs and say they



Investment drive by rail unions The railway unions yesterday launched an alternative strategy for British Rail's future.

They want more investment in the railways and a cut in faces which, they claim, could bring back passengers and, in time, save £250m a year. That would be about the same as the Government's reduction in subsidy to the railways, which involves a programme of redundancies.

Launching the campaign

train drivers' leader, said the railways were committing "slow suicide". There is no sign of an end of the slow decline if all we can offer is higher fares and a deteriorating service. "We cannot compete if the managerial solution to every problem is to close something

London, Mr Ray Buckton, the

The Federation of Rail Unions has allocated £60,000 to

the campaign. British Rail recently reported

its best financial results for several years with an £8m operating profit for 1983 compared with a £175m loss in 1982.

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The Government would have further plans for privatization of transport industries. Profit and and planes had been booming, but Labour was interested only in public

His policy was to support any worthwhile British Rail investment. That was why the Government had approved electrification to Cambridge, Ipswich, Norwich, Harwich and Hastings; approved major new signalling projects; and in the last

The next round of talks between the British and Chinese governments on the future of Hongkong will take place on April 27 and 28, Mr Richard Lace, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affi airs, said during questions in the Commons. He hoped the House would have an early opportunity to debate the issue after the return of Sir Geoffrey Howe. Secretary of

Mr Luce said: The best way we can serve the people of Hongkong is to do our utmost to reach an agreement with the Chinese govern-

action to tackle defects in homes built using non-trathose types.

council tenants living in defechave a right to financial help, councils will have to try to repair tenant's homes with "Whatever money they have

left after owners have made

their claims", Mr Matthews

Charity status plea for NHS hospital

the days before the National Health Service was founded, and to allow them to run it as a voluntary hospital. The friends of Mildmay

have agreed to close is asking

them to turn the clock back to

Friends argues that ministers have the legal power and a moral obligation to hand it over. It was built with charitable funds.

could provide a family doctor service and beds, outpatient services, a luncheon club for ionely, and nursing help for the elderly housebound.



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-Average rise in house prices is 2%, survey of agents shows

housing market in recent weeks, holding its own. helped by the reduction in stamp duty and in the mortgage raic, has pushed up prices substantially as the traditional buying spree begins. It is Britain is facing a housing boom comparable with that of

The latest figures for prices, released by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors vesterday, show that nearly half the agents taking part in a survey report price rises of 2 per

The definition of a boom customers are fighting over a property, when prices are rising so fast that agents have difficulty valuing homes, or when, as one agent said, "you can sell anything".

Those conditions are not in evidence, and Mr John Thomas, an estate agent, and spokesman for the institution, Partners, said. explained that a boom was unlikely this year. The last one, in: 1979-80, happened when there was a great deal of money about at a time of marked inflation, but when purchasing power was strong because wages were rising faster than inflation.

Confidence is returning to the market, but there is still the feeling that interest rates may rise later in the year, which would have an inevitable effect on mortgage rates.

Nationwide, the building society, it must be remembered, has just increased its rate to new borrowers by 4 per cent.

Mr Nicholas Cooper, of Savills, the estate agents, admit-ted that prices had moved significantly upwards since last autumn. "It is a strong market and there is a shortage of quality property.

against drug abuse. Inspector Patrick Kennedy, chairman of

the Scottish Police Fereration,

told the annual conference of

the federation in Peebles yesterday. The association represents most Scottish police officers.

Mr Kennedy said that only pathetic attempts had been

made so far to tackle the

growing abuse of drugs in

Scotland. The cost of stronger

Drug pedlars' assets

'should be seized'

The property and assets of action would be cheap at the convicted drug traffickers price when related to the human should be confiscated as part of misery the problem caused, he a more determined drive said.

Increasing activity in the while the middle range was

Although all looks favourable in the North-east with lots of money in the building societies and quite a lot of buyers about, the area was still experiencing prompting the question whether difficult economic times which Britain is facing a housing precluded the possibility of a property boom, Mr Peter Miller of Storey Sons and Parker of

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, said. In Norwich, a spokesman for Arnold Son and Hockley, said that the suggestion of a boom was to be treated with suspicion. Property prices close to cent during the first three the city were firm and through-months of the year. A further out the area they had risen in quarter report increases of 5 per the last quarter by 2 to 5 per

While price increases in aries, but it can be when Chelmsford were to be expected at this time of year, Mr Derrick Norman, of Balch estate agents, said that he could see no boom in the offing.

Property in the Windsor area was going very quickly, but that was due more to an acute shortage than anything else. Mr Arthur Beacon, of Tufnell and

There were no trends in Plymouth to indicate a house buying boom was on the way, Mr Graham Adam of Stratton and Holborow, said.

Mr Colin Whicker, manager of the Amersham branch of Hetheringtons, Pretty and Ellis, said. "We are going to see a steadily rising market rather than an actual boom situation". At present we are very busy and selling most things.

Mr P. G. E. Walker of Smith Walker, in Salisbury, was convinced that there will be no boom. "I would say that prices will temporarily remain very buoyant. In the short-term six to eight weeks, they will remain exceptionally high, but I no not think that will be sustained." Mr R. W. Wallhead, of

Walhead, Gray and Coates, of Sunderland, said: "We are In the London area, he said, the top price range was a the moment, probably the particularly strong market, busiest for a number of years."

Under Secretary of State for

Scotland assured the police officers that the Government

shared their deep concern and revulsion at a growing evil,

from which no section of society appeared to be immune.

it in a coherent and comprehen-

sive way. There is no point in

increasing facilities to help addicts without taking steps to

staunch the flow of drugs into

the country and no purpose in cracking down on pushers if the punishments available to the courts do not offer an adequate

The debate came after reports by chief constables in Scotland

that reflected an alarming rise in the level of drug abuse, particularly in the misuse of

heroin.
This was underlined yester-

day in a special study by Lothian Health Board which showed the number of drug

users demanding help from the accident and emergency depart-

ment at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary had risen more than four-fold in the past five years.

deterrent." Mr Ancram said.

We are determined to fight



Crime and punishment: Rioters hurl stones at shops in Santo Domingo and (right) one protester is marched of

Deaths in Dominican Republic reach 40

Santo Domingo (Reuter) - The Dominican Republic Army states it is in total control, as the death toll in two days of rioting across the country has risen to more than 40.

The armed forces said in a statement they would remain obedient to President Salvador Jorge Blanco and declared their support for the Government, promising to guarantee peace and order.

and emergency meeting with the President, said the armed forces lamented civilian loss of life in the riots. Police say more than 40 people here died in clashes with security forces since the riots spread through the country on Tuesday, with demonstrators tooting shops and setting fire to buildings.

In the provincial cities of Santiago, San Francisco de

Macoris, La Vega and Banti, 17 people have died. Police say 12 people died n the capital on Tuesday, while more than 20 buildings, including a bank, were set on fire by rampaging through the streets. More than 300 people have been arrested since Monday.

This week's violence wa

caused by the latest in a series of tough steps over the past two years - a rise in basic food

prices of up to 50 per cent to reduce government subsidies. The country has been trying to meet economic targets set by the International Monetary Fund in return for a planned \$450m (£310m) loan.

President Jorge Blanco, a former lawyer and staunch supporter of the United States, won an election in May, 1982, and took office the following Appust for a four-year term.

Kabul claims total victory in rebel valley for Russians

The long-awaited Soviet ssault on the Panjshir Valley in Afghanistan has been met, according to the Afghan regime, with complete success.

According to Kabul radio, a combined Soviet and Afghan

force is in complete control of the valley. The radio said the valley was quiet and added, oddly enough, that people were free to visit it.

The Afghan media gave no indication of the extent of the resistance to Soviet occupation of the valley, and no details of the forces involved. But Western diplomatic sources in Delhi said that the valley had been softened up over the weekend by high-level bonbing from by high-level bonbing from SU18 bombers based in the Soviet Union. This is the first time such bombing raids have been carried out inside Afghan-

The sources also gave a warning against believing that the forces of the local mujahidin commander, Mr Ahmed Shah Mahsood, have been put out of action by the Russian incursion.



During the previous Russian attempt to pacify the valley in September and October, 1982, the Western diplomats recalled, Mr Mahsood allowed them to penetrate well inside the valley before harassing them

As a result of that experience, the Russians negotiated a "peace treaty" with Mr Mah-sood, which allowed them to garrison two towns there but left him a free hand to train his guerrilla forces there and 10 allow his men time with their farms and families.

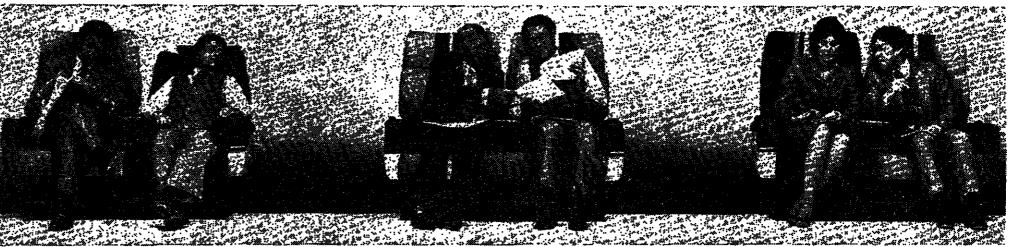
The treaty expired at the beginning of the year,

Tamil bodies recovered

The bodies of 13 youths who jumped into the sea when a naval patrol ship fired on the boat in which they were travelling to southern India on Saturday night were washed ashore vesterday at Point Pedro.

The patrol ship fired on the boat after it failed to stop when ordered to do so in the northern naval surveillance zone. Of 19 people in the boat, five were captured while one was found to have died of injuries sustained in the firing.

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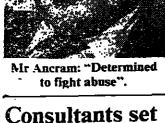
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NHS terms for budget role

By Nicholas Timmins Social Services Correspondent

Making consultants responsible for their spending will require more and better health service accountants, a significant investment in computers, and will take at least five years, a consultants leader said yesterday.

Budget responsibility is a key element in the Griffiths report on improving health service management, on which ministers hope to act after parliamentary debate next week.
But Dr Maurice Burrows.

chairman of the Central Com-mittee for Hospital Medical Services. which represents Services, which represents 10,000 consultants, said yesterday that the committee had written to consultants in every hospital laying down conditions which must be met

They included a significant

improvement in the quality of anancial information available, and that at first consultants should be answerable only to doctors on the management

But Dr Burrows said his committee was divided. Some are dead set against having anything to do with management budgets: others see it as the way forward

The future, he said, lay more with the second view. The committee had said in its letter that it hoped to encourage consultants to take on the new

Film to promote consideration for the deaf

By Bill Johnstone **Technology Correspondent**

A fifteen-minute video tape. the sound track of which has been doctored to appear imperfect to the ordinary listener, has been made to illustrate to shop assistants and others who come in contact with the public the frustrations and plight of the

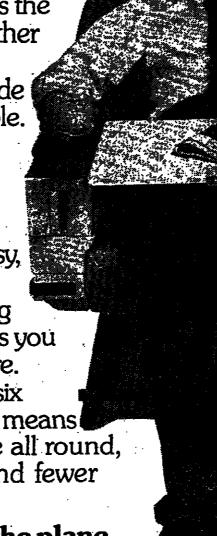
hard of hearing.
According to the Sympathetic Hearing Scheme, the makers of the tape, the voices and effects have been so realistically adapted on the tape that the viewer can actually feel the pressures of being deaf or hard

of hearing.

The scheme is jointly organized by the British Association of the Hard of Hearing, The British Deaf Association, The National Deaf Children's Society and The Royal National

Institute for the Deaf. The film comprises four scenes and two short interviews demonstrate in dramatic form the problems for the deaf of performing simple everyday

The first scene shows that the noise in a public house can mean that hearing aids have to be switched off. A scene in a department store shows another sufferer attempting to exchange some clothes. Other scenes illustrate the relief given the deaf when they receive special consideration in shops, offices, banks and other public places.





Cities in grip of noisy protests

Tradition of popular suffrage

a convenient mechanism for the aged to persuade the electorate

generals to nominate a man of to forget the bad side of his

their own choosing to be rubber previous 15 years rule, although

immediate postwar period, term was the very popular when President Getulio Vargas, Juscelino Kubitchek, who ruled who had ruled as a virtual dictator since 1930, fell from as the man who built Brasilia.

power. He was succeeded in but who also set up several of

1946 by Gaspar Dutra, of the Brazil's industries, including the PSD Social Democratic Party, who completed his full five and who was a great road and years mandate without much power-station builder.

He was followed by Getulio that Brazil begun to get into the crisis.

The history of direct elections completing his term. The next in recent times goes back to the Persident to complete a full

From Patrick Knight São Paulo

Brazil's cities erupted into sound and light as thousands of motorists sounded their horns, fireworks exploded, saucepans were banged and lights flashed on and off as people demonstrated in favour of direct elections.

Except in Brasilia, the protest on Tuesday night, the first of its size in Brazil, was entirely peaceful. In the tense eapital many motorists were arrested in the vicinity of Congress and the presidential palace, and some were beaten up by the strong force of police and soldiers occupying the city, who tried in vain to stop the noise.

Congress, which was surrounded by a strong force of Even though they know that soldiers for three hours on the Senate will inevitably reject Tuesday, began punctually at the proposal, many Governnine o'clock yesterday morning to debate the amendment calling for direct elections. The ure. But responding to public outcome, at least in the opinion. A Gallup poll in São result of the vote will be made impasse.

Although only a tiny fraction

of Brazil's 60 million electors

have had experience of voting

for the President, the last direct

election in the country being in 1960, choosing the President by popular suffrage is deeply

entrenched in Brazilian political

tradition. It goes back to the end

of the last century, as do direct

elections for virtually every

The Electoral College formed of two Chambers of Congress and representatives from each

of the 23 state parliaments, is

very much a new idea, intro-

duced by the military after

incident



Guimarães: Strong speech in Congress.

Chamber of Deputies, is still

cent of the population here is in favour of direct elections now.

The vote on the amendment was not expected to begin until the early hours of this morning. A group of 800 students sitting in the main hall of Congress were expelled by troops on Tuesday, and tear gas was used disperse them outside. Several arrests were made.

In a speech to Congress, the president of the opposition Brazilian Democratic Movement (PMDB), Senhor Ulysses Guimaries, said that the House was being profuned and muti-lated by the emergency mea-sures, which were preventing people from seeing and hearing what was being done.

No political news was broadcast from Brasilia on television on Tuesday night, and programmes were shortened by 15 minutes. The debate and the

1964, and until this time around Vargas once more, who man-difficulties which led to the

he committed suicide before

It was only following his rule

Paulo has shown that 84 per known in special editions of newspapers and on big outdoor screens in most cities. Telephone communications with the capital are normal.

> There were many incidents involving the arrest of journalists and protesters in the capital on Tuesday, while passengers from outside Brasilia were turned off 10 buses arriving from São Paulo as they approached the city.

In a sign of the way things may go, President João Baptista Figueiredo spent more than an hour on Tuesday with the PMDB Governor of Minas Gerais state, Senhor Tancredo Neves. The president said that Senhor Neves was "a man worthy of leading the project of national conciliation", although

overthrow of Joao Goulart, who

had been elected Vice-President

to Janio Quadros in 1960 and

who took over when Quadros resigned, after only seven months in power. It is interest-

ing that as well as mainly

completing their mandates directly elected presidents

directly elected presidents generally alternated between the

PSD and the União Democra-tica Nacional (UND) although

both these parties were of

strongly conservative hue and the difficulties of accommodat-

ing new forces led to the 1964



Shouldering arms: A Khmer rebel carrying rocket-propelled grenades to the front at Ampil.

Hundreds killed in fight for Thai border base

Bangkok (AFP) - Cambodia said yesterday that its troops and Vietnamese forces had killed 250 Cambodian rebels in fighting for the Ampil guerrilla base on the Thai border.

According to officials in Bangkok and Cambodian nationalists, the battle cost the lives of at least 200 Vietnamese. and some high-ranking Thai

military officials spoke of up to 500 dead suffered by Hanoi's

Vietnam failed to take the base according to the Bangkok version, which was partly supported by reports from journalists on the spot.

Ampil is the headquarters of Mr Son Sann's Khmer People's National Liberation Front.

Fugitive Rumasa chief arrested in West Germany

From Michael Binyon, Bom

West German police yester-day arrested Señor José Mariia proceedings. His complaint to Ruiz Mateos, the fugitive the Spanish constitutional court former head of the Rumasa empire in Spain, who is wanted by the Spanish authorities for ments and tax offences.

Señor Ruiz Mateos was apprehended at Frankfurt airport during a stopover from the United States. He will appear in court today for a preliminary hearing and extradition pro-ceedings will begin when the documents arrive from Spain.

The 53-year-old founder of the business conglomerate which grouped together more than 645 companies fled from Spain after his empire was taken over by the Government in February last year to prevent its collapse under debts totalling 257,000m pesetas (£1,200m). He went to Britain, which has no extradition agreement with

against the nationalization of his firms was rejected.

fraud, falsification of docu- MADRID: Spain will request the extradition of Senor Ruiz Mateos, the Madrid magistrate responsible for finan-cial offences indicatad here yesterday. Spain has up to 40 days to invoke the extradition treaty with West Germany (Richard Wigg writes).

Señor Luis Larga, the magis-trate, had asked for Señor Ruiz Mateos's detention through Interpol two days ago, after receiving information that the financier was due to fly into Frankfurt.

Señor Ruiz Mateos has also been ordered to stand trial by another Madrid court for allegedly insulting King Juan Carlos in a magazine interview Spain, and ignored Spanish late last year.

Crisis for Europe's coastlines

From Mario Modiano

Environment ministers and experts from the 21 member states of the Council of Europe were urged yesterday to agree to immediate action to protect their coastal areas, river banks and lake shores from further destruction before it was too

Herr Karl Ahrens, president of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, told the opening session of the fourth European ministerial conference on the environment: Damage to the environment in Europe is already so serious that we can no longer postpone

The three-day conference, in which Britain is represented by Sir William Williamson, chairman of the Nature Conservancy Council, is considering a Greek report calling for the introduction of an ecological dimension into all future plans for economic development.

Speakers at the opening session, which included Mr Antonis Tritsis, the Greek Minister for the Environment, and Signor Gaetano Adinolfi, the Deputy Secretary-General of the Council of Europe, expressed concern that Europe's economic difficulties tended to produce budgetary restrictions for national environmental programmes.

Plea to put **Anzacs** on the map

By Tony Duboudin Melbourne

Australia is to ask the Turkish Government formally to rename the site of the 1915 Gallipoli landing by Anstralian and New Zealand troops as Anzac Cove.

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Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister, said that the pro-posal by the Gallipoli Legion of Anzacs had a "great deal of merit" and would get the full support of the Australian

The legion, be said had also suggested that some parts of Australia should be named to commemorate the bravery of the Turkish soldiers who took part in the Gallipoli battles. "If this proposal were accepted the bravery of the two

armies who fought so vigo-rously nearly 70 years ago would be commemorated in an appropriate and enduring way", the Prime Minister said. "It would keep alive for future generations of Austra-lians and Turks alike the

memory of heroism and self-sacrifice that distinguished both the Anzacs and Turkish participants in the campaign."
Mr Hawke said that he had asked Mr Bill Hayden, the Foreign Minister, to arrange for the Australian Embassy in Ankara to inform the Turkish Government of Australia's full

support for the proposal.

Prague takes softer line on Catholics

The position of the Roman Catholic Church in Eastern Europe varies considerably from one country to another. In Hungary, it has adopted a more pragmatic stance to communism than in Poland, while in Czechoslovakia. relations between church and state remain at a low ebb.

The contrast between the position of the church in Hungary and its communist neighbours was highlighted earlier this month. The Primate of Hungary, Cardinal Lazlo Lekaj, told journalists in Vienna that the era of confrontation with communism was over. Communism, he said, no longer wanted to destroy the church. But in Czechoslavakia, relations between the clergy and government are strained. The

Vatican is pressing the Government to appoint bishops to vacant dioceses. Prague is adamant that the posts be filled by men approved by the Government and, if possible, members of its own religious organization. The

Last winter, the Czechoslo-vak Foreign Minister, Mr Bohuslav Chnoupek, went to the Vatican to discuss the vacant bishoprics. Diplomatic Government subsidizes consources described the talks as struction of religious training struction of religious training the structure and female st open and frank, suggesting that considerable disagreement

Things were not helped when a number of Slovak bishops, hearing of the proposed stationing of nuclear missiles on Czechoslovak territory, issued a Czechoslovak termory, source statement condemning their use Prague, Tomasek. as a crime against humanity.



Cardinal Tomasek: relations with the state.

Another attempt at improving relations between church and state will be made next month, when Mr Vladimir Janku, Czechoslovak Minister for Religious Affairs, visits the Vatican for more talks.

Such visits suggest the Prague Government has moved away from its hostile attitude to the Vatican and the Pope, whom the party paper, Rude Pravo. once described as the incarnation of an anti-communist

Vatican has made no secret of the fact that it would be happy to see Pacem in Terris abolished.

Last winter, the Czechoslocelebrations he took part in. In Hungary, such obvious

hostility between church and state is absent. There, the buildings and allows religious teachers in schools.

In return, Cardinal Lekaj pursues a policy of peaceful coexistence and compromise. enjoying as a result, far better relations with the Government than his opposite number in Prague, Cardinal Frantisk

Japan supports Howe on breach with Libya

Foreign Secretary, yesterday began a round of ministerial earlier, on the last stage of an Asian tour.

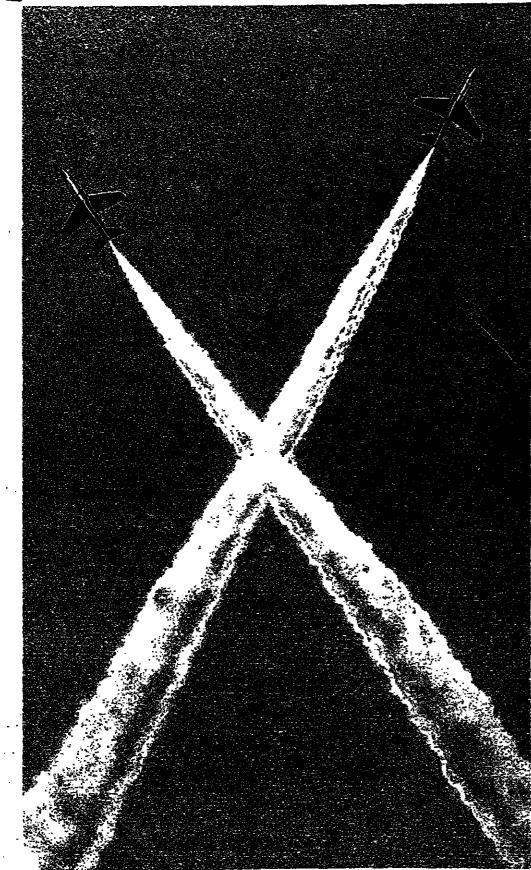
In a two-hour meeting with Mr Shintaro Abe, the Japanese Foreign Minister, Sir Geoffrey painted a gloomy picture of relations with the Soviet Union. He said it would be very difficult for the West to expect a return to arms control talks before the US Presidential elections in November.

Mr Abe appeared to be in full

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the agreement. He expressed his strong support for the action talks with Japanese officials. He arrived from South Kores Today Sir Geoffrey is to meet

Mr Abe again to discuss economic and trade issues. He will later meet Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Japanese Prime A spokesman for Sir Geoffre

said the Japanese had not raised the issue of Hongkong's future in detail, but the matter probably would be brought up later in the visit. The Foreign Secretary leaves for Britain



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China aims to obtain big trade and technology deals from Reagan visit

President Reagan arrives here today for the first visit to China by an American Chief Execution talks with the Soviet Union, and congressional moves to safeguard American reduction talks with the Soviet relations with Taiwan. Gerald Ford in 1975.

China is expected to use Mr Reagan's visit to extract maximum concessions in trade and technology supply, while its leaders are fully conscious that.

from Mr Reagan's point of view, the trip is mainly an exercise in electioneering.

An agreement on Chinese purchase of US nuclear technology is expected to be signed. though there have been sharp disagreements over the degree of inspection demanded by the

The Chinese see foreign statesmen mainly from the point of view of their own national interest, and in large matters such as relations with teh Soviert Union they seem to

regard Mr Reagan as a realist. If they are hostile towards his Middle East and Latin American policies, it is largely because they fear those policies will result in fatal destabilization and power vacuum, giving the Soviet Union the opportunity to step in, to the disadvantage of the world in general.

Among international issues

Mr Reagan is expected to discuss with the Chinese leaders are the need for a settlement in Korea: ways of puting an end to

Union.
Of these. Korea is the most likely to show progress in return for effort invested. North Korea has recently tilted somewhat towards the Soviet Union after more than a decade of leaning lowards China in its foreign policy. This makes it important for both China and the United States to stabilize the situation with some new formula for

lasting peace.
China no longer believes that union of north and south Korea is practicablein the forseeable future, and supports instead the idea of a loose confederation, little more unified than the two Germanies, but containing two separate ideologies and political

After long hesitation, China has begun low-level moves to establish a friendlier relation-ship with South Korea. It is widely agreed that a conference of interested parties is needed, andthe Chinese will want to discuss with Mr Reagan what role both they and the United States should play.

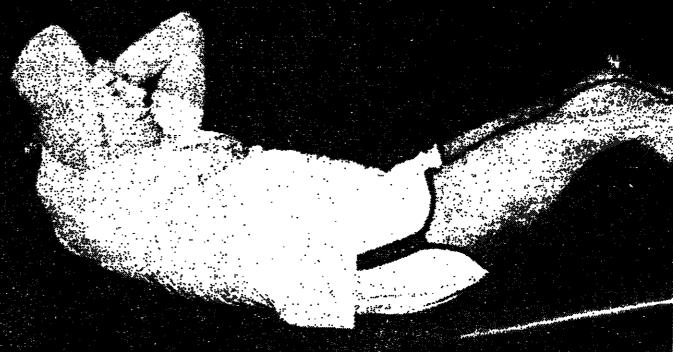
Relations between China and the United States, which had been almost artificially friendly from 1972 on, took a downturn in the late seventies for a number of reasons, including Vietnam's occupation of Cam- US pursuit of detente with the

Despite the full normalization of diplomatic relations in 1979, tensions over Taiwan and arms sales to the Kuomintang regime there persisted. New issues, such as Chinese textile exports to the United States and imports of technology by China, brought Sino-American relations to a new low point.

Since then considerable progress has been made, especially over the question of US arms sales to China, which are likely to be brought to general agreement during Mr Reagan's

This will also be an opportune moment for the disclosure of plans to take a Chinese astronaut into space, and thereby match the Soviet Union, which allowed an Indian spaceman to accompany a recent mission.

Last year Sino-American trade reached a total of \$4.4bn (£1.1bn), and US investment in development projects in China is put at \$88m. Thirteen American companies are participating in the search for offshore oil in Chinese waters. The loosening of American restrictions on exports of high technology to China has brought an upsurge of trade in



Fighting fit: Sit-ups from Senator Hart before a busy campaign day in Cleveland, Ohio.

Vermont puts new life in Hart campaign

Senator Gary Hart's challenge nomination gained a muchneeded boost on Tuesday night when he captured a majority of 13 national convention delegates at stake in local caucuses in more than 190 Vermont communities.

With more than two-thirds of the 1,530 state convention delegates selected, the Colorado senator held a commanding lead over former Vice-President

158 of the town caucuses showed that Mr Hart had 677 local delegates, or 49 per cent, to Mr Mondale's 458, or 33 per cent. The Rev Jesse Jackson won 192, or 14 per cent, and 66 delegates were uncommitted.

Senator Hart, who won the state's non-binding presidential preference primary on March 6, ran well in Tuesday's caucuses in the largest cities and in small

Lagos is top of the costs in survey of 93 cities

main cities of Latin America are downright cheap to business executives being paid from abroad in foreign currencies, especially dollars. On the same basis. Europe is "something of a bargain".

These are the conclusions of Business International's annual survey of executive living costs in 93 key cities, of which Lagos and Tokyo rank, for the third

year running, as the most expensive places of all. Using New York, at 100, as the basis of comparison, their cost of living indices are 139 and 130 respectively.

London rates 78, Geneva and Helsinki 88, Zurich 89, Oslo Amsterdam 71, Brussels 67. Copenhagen 78, Frankfurt 74. Madrid 61, Paris 75. Rome 73 and Stockholm 77 in the cost of living table.

Food aid convoys run rebel gauntlet

From Stephen Taylor Harare

A sensitive operation is under way to ship emergency food supplies to Zimbabwe through a hazardous corridor in Mozambique, where the convoys risk attack from hostile guerrillas.

Armoured units of the Zimbabwe Army are assisting Frélimo forces to protect maize convoys from the Mozambique Resistance Movement (MNR) on the journey from Malawi through Tete province in Mozambique.

The 50.000tons of maize being moved in this way - 70 per cent of it bought with British aid – is a vital part of the food Zimbabwe must have in the next few weeks, before the new harvest reaches the grain

Drought has devastated the harvest, which will be less than half the country's needs and existing stocks are exhausted.

The three haulage companies involved in the shipment decided on the risky 70-mile Tele route, in spite of a spate of recent MNR attacks on the road in which a number of drivers have been killed, to save time and money on the much longer journey through Zambia.

South Africa's withdrawal of its backing for the MNR, under the recent Nkomati peace accord with Mozambique, appears to have had no effect on guerrilla attacks so far.

Japanese raise doubts on Aquino killing

investigating the killing of Benigno Aquino, the Philippines opposition leader released a report of its February inquiry in Japan in which two witnesses challenged military claims that a communist agent was the

The Japanese police report and a freelance writer who both said they did not see who shot Aquino but saw the alleged assassin, Rolando Galman, "dazed" or "staggering" sec-

onds after the killing. Mr Andres Navrasa, the board's counsel, said in an interview, that the Japanese testimony was inconsistent with the government version" that Galman killed Aquino.

Katsuo Veda, the Kyodo journalist, said Galman was unarmed and appeared to be "just dazed" as he stood near Aquino's body. Kiyoshi Wakaminya, the freelance writer, said Galman was "staggering like he had been pushed out

Mr Wakamiya also testified that Quino told him that Mrs included testimony from a Imelda Marcos, the President's Kyodo news service journalist wife, warned him not to come home from the United States because "we have loyal boys who may kill on their own".

The board's chairwoman, Corazon Agrava, said in a Tokyo television interview after hearing the testimony that the Philippine Government's contention that Galman killed Quino may not be so", she said he "may have died by some other hand" than Galman.

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Tenant of resident joint landlord not protected

Before Lord Justice Eveleigh and Lord Justice Stephen Brown [Judgment delivered April 12]

A joint landlord living in a part of a building was the resident landlord for the purpose of excluding a tenancy of another part of the building from the protection of section [2(1) of the Rent Act 1977.

The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing an appeal by the tenant. Miss Moira Tail, from a decision of Bloomsbury and Marylebone County Court (Judge Butter), whereby she was ordered to give up whereby she was ordered to give up possession of premises at Ossington Street, Paddington, London, to the landlords. Mr Eric Cooper, Mr-Paul Cooper and Miss Hilary Cooper. Section 12 provides: "(1) . . . a tenancy of a dwelling-house granted on ur after August 14, 1974 shall not be a presented engagy at any time if

be a protected tenancy at any time if be a protected tenancy at any time in - 13) the dwelling-house forms part only of a building and . . the building is not a purpose-built block of flats: and (b) the tenancy was granted by a person who, at the time when he granted it, occupied as his residence another dwelling-house which - . . . (iii) . . forms part of the building and (c) . . . at all times since the tenancy was granted the interest of the landlord under the tenancy has belonged to a person

LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH aid that the question was whether a tenancy was protected when it was granted by joint owners of the property and one of them was residing there but the others were

not. The lease agreement was made in April. 1982, and the three landlords were described as the "landlord". The premises were part of a fivestorey terrace house divided into flats. Mr Enc Cooper, who owned a

50 per cent share of the house, lived in the basement flat. In December, 1982, the landlords served a notice to quit and claimed possession from the tenant. Was the judge right in holding that the tenancy was not a protected tenancy under section 12? He had been guided by the House of Lords decision in Tilling v 11 Internan ([1980] AC1).

That case was concerned with Case 10 of Part II of Schedule 3 to the Rent Act 1968. The words of Case 10 were utterly different from section 12, with which their Lordships were concerned.

Did the facts of the present case fall within the section? It was possible to argue that Mr Eric Cooper did not grant the tenancy but his Lordship took the view that he granted it, albeit in conjunction with other.

There was no reason to read into the section any words to the effect that the resident landlord had to grant the tenancy alone. It was to be noted that the 1977 Act did not state

the nature of the landlord's interest. the nature of the landford's interest.

The case was not entirely easy. It would be too easy to say it was on all fours with Tilling, but that was not a permissible conclusion.

His Lordship's conclusion was the result of applying the words of section 12. The result accorded with the intention of the legislature: to encourage people to divide up.

encourage people to divide up accommodation so as to create more than one dwelling-house without being afraid that they would be unable again to have their premises under their control premises under their contro because of the provisions relating to

protected tenancies. Mr Eric Cooper came within section 12 and, accordingly, the tenant was not protected under the

section.

LORD JUSTICE STEPHEN BROWN, agreeing, said that the decision in Tilling was of assistance in the present case. Absurd and unjust results would follow from any other construction of section 12. Solicitors: Lewis & Pearson: Blacket Gill & Swain.

Effect of due diligence and expedition term

Greater London Council v Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Co Ltd and Another

ing Co Ltd and Another

A term in a contract which entitled an employer to discharge contractors if they failed to exercise due diligence or expedition in their performance of the contract did not of itself cause the contractors to be in breach of contract, and thus liable to the employer in damages, if they failed to exercise due diligence or expedition.

Mr Justice Staughton so held in the Commercial Court of the Queen's Bench Division on April In dismissing an appeal by the Greater London Council from an award of an arbitrator arising out of

a dispute regarding the construction of parts of the Thames Barrage.

HIS LORDSHIP said that even of he were wrong regarding the effect of that term or if there were an inough not in breach of contract, there had, on the facts, been no gence or expedition, such a default or negligence by the requirement would have to be contractors.

various stages of the contract.

So construed it would be an obligation to use such diligence and expedition as would reasonably be required to meet the contractual deadlines. In general, a contractor was entitled to pace the performance of a contract as he pleased provided the specified deadlines were complied with, and there would be no want of due diligence or expedition if the deadlines were

met.

The council had also contended that even if there had been no breach of contract, the contractors had been in default and negligent. Although a party who had failed to do what he ought to have done or had done what he ought not to have done could be in default even though not in breach of contract, there had, on the facts, been no

DO SOME ADVERTISERS GIVE YOU TOO MANY FACTS AND TOO LIT TLE INFORMATION?

It is not difficult to find yourself blinded by science.

Some advertisers are so wrapped up in their own jargon they fail to realise that to most people it's nothing more than mumbo jumbo.

figures you read are accurate? And how can you tell if an over-abundance of them is not just a whitewash to conceal the truth.

SORTING OUT THE WHEAT FROM THE CHAFF.

The answers lie in a book of rules called The British Code of Advertising Practice.

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Where through lack of specialist knowledge the public could be led astray the rules are detailed and specific. Financial advertising is a good

example. In essence the rules state advertisements must take into account that the complexities of finance may well be beyond the people to whom the offer appeals.

An investment ad inviting direct response has to include a great deal of explanatory wording.

For instance, past growth of '500% in 5 years' would have to be qualified by the exact five years to which it referred.

And all investment ads have to carry wording to the effect that the value of investments and the income from them, if quoted, can go down as well as up.

WHEN ONE AND ONE MAKES SIX.

In protecting the public from being misled we are often accused of being pernickety.

We once received a complaint that a car with a 1442cc engine had been advertised as a '15'.

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What meant little to the car trade meant a lot to him, and we were pleased that the advertiser amended the ad to include the exact engine size in the text.

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It's not enough for a building society to promise worth 13.93% to basic rate income tax payers' when the actual interest rate can fluctuate. This must be made clear.

A hi-fi manufacturer should not merely advertise that his equipment develops a certain number of watts.

Since there are several different ways of which method he used and give the reader a fair basis for comparison.

And as for computers it is not on to ad-

So we encourage the public to help by measuring sound output, he should state telling us about inaccuracies we may not have spotted Last year over 7,500 people wrote Every complaint is considered and if

But how can you be sure the facts and vertise what a piece of equipment will do and necessary submitted to our experts before we make a ruling.

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If we decide there has been a breach of any rules we ask the advertiser to amend the advertisement.

If he cannot, or refuses, we ask him to withdraw it completely. Nearly all agree without further argument.

In any case we inform the publishers, who will not knowingly accept any advertisement which we have decided contravenes the

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The ASA was not created by law and has no legal powers.

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In fact the ASA was set up by the advertising business to make sure the system of self-control genuinely worked in the public interest.

For this to be credible the ASA has to be totally independent of the

Neither the chairman nor the majority of his council members is allowed to have any involvement in advertising.

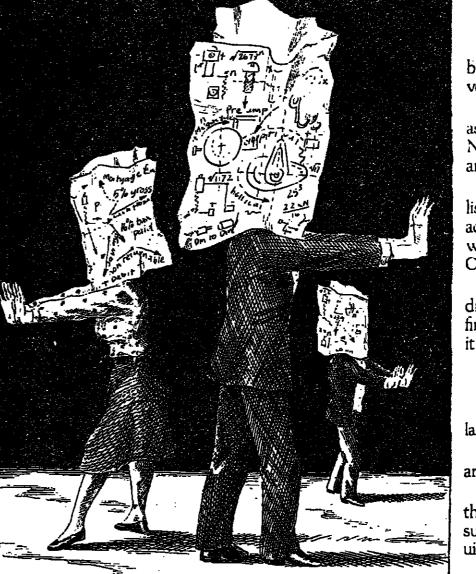
Though administrative costs are met by a levy on the business, no advertiser has any influence over ASA decisions.

Advertisers as a whole accept it is as much in their interests as the public's to keep on the right side of the rules.

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simply assume that the reader will know he

needs several other items in order to operate it.

OUR LIMITATIONS.

covers newspapers, magazines, cinema com-

mercials, posters, brochures, leaflets, mailed

circulars, and now commercials on video tapes.

ing. Though the rules are very similar, they

are administered by the Independent Broad-

THE VALUE OF YOUR OWN SPECIALIST KNOWLEDGE.

aware of the Code, and breach the rules unwittingly. Others forget, bend or deliberately

on advertising either by ourselves or in

conjunction with experts. But because of the

sheer volume of advertising we cannot moni-

tor every advertisement that appears.

Unfortunately some advertisers are un-

That is why we keep a continuous check

casting Authority.

ignore the rules.

The British Code of Advertising Practice

It does not cover TV and radio advertis-

Controversy over bus hijack in Israel

Doubts raised on killing reinforced by photograph

four Arabs who hijacked a bus soldiers — one holding a large earlier this month may have pistol in his right hand — been captured alive and later appeared on the front cover of killed by the Israeli security forces appear to have been strengthened vertexion by the World which has a long strengthened yesterday by the World) which has a long first publication here of a tradition of exposing sensitive photograph showing a man - appearently one of the hijackers - being led away under Israeli inside with a long article from

The photograph, of considerably poorer quality than others known to exist but not yet permitted to appear, makes it clear that the presumed hijacker was alive when he left the bus, but his state of health is not apparent because of the angle from which the picture was

The original call for an official inquiry from Mr Yossi Sarid, the opposition Labour MP, has been taken up by Mr Ehud Olmert, an influential backbench supporter of the ruling Likud coalition, and Mr Victor Shemtov, leader of the left-wing Mapam party. Mr Olmert has voiced reservations about whether the results should be made public.

It is understood from Israeli sources that the internal Army investigation into the hijacking is expected to be handed to Mr Moshe Arens, the Defence Minister, in the next few days. But no indication is available about whether any details will be released to the press or even to the Knesset's Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

photograph of the young man being led away from the

Allegations that two of the crippled bus by three uniformed World) which has a long inside with a long article from which a number of details had been censored.

Mr Uri Avnery, the editor, said the military censor had banned publication of the photograph last week, when the magazine appeared with a blank space, but had sanctioned it after lawyeers had threatened to take the case to the High Court. A copy of the letter threatening court action was also sent to the Attorney-General and Defence

"Obviously, they did not want to face the prospect of arguing their case in court, so they gave us permission earlier this week to go ahead," Mr Avnery said. "Our picture taken by one of our photographers, shows clearly that one of the hijackers was taken alive from the bus. My belief is that he was shot soon after it was taken.

Asked why the political storm had taken so long to gather, Mr Avnery said: "It is probably out of a misplaced sense of patrioiism. This issue has grave moral not attempt to question the and political implications for identity of the man being led the handling of such incidents away by the soldiers.
in the future, But many people Mr Aveny, who earned here believe it is not good for The dramatic but blurred the govim to know what



In the dark: A copy of Haolem Hazeh's blurred print, suggesting that the man being led away was alive immediately after troops stormed the bus.

when shown the photographs, pointing out that an investigation was under way. He did

international motoriety in 1982 the goyim to know what when he entered besieged west happened."

Beirut to interview Mr Yassar
The army spokesman in Arafat, the PLO chief, said he

Jerusalem refused to comment believed his photograph showed a different hijacker than another - still banned by the censors -which has been identified as showing Mr Majdi Abu Jumaa, aged 18, being led off the bus by two plain-clothed security men.

Mr Yossi Kleim Klein, editor of the Tel Aviv daily, Hadeshot, which has the much clearer photograph of Mr Jumaa in its possession, confirmed to The

magazine photograph was of a different man. "We can only be sure of the identification of the hijacker in our picture which we have carefully checked with relatives and neighbours", he said. On Tuesday Mr Klein had a

private meeting with Mr Arens. but would not reveal any

California let off lightly by strong earthquake

From Ivor Davis Los Angeles

The earthquake that rocked San Francisco and other northern California cities on Tuesday injured at least a dozen people, started fires, forced the evacu-ation of a school and destroyed houses near San José.

"My house looks like a hurricane hit it," said Mr Bill Berry, basketball coach at San José State University, who lives in a district known as Morgan Hill "Things were flying every-where. I tried to stand up but I couldn't. It was rocking too

The earthquake's epicentre was 12 miles east of the heavily populated city of San Jose, which is 50 miles south of San Francisco. It registered 6.2 on the Richter scale, according to scientists at the University of California at Berkeley.

The worst damage occurred around Morgan Hill, a farming town of 16,000 people 10 miles from San Jose. It hit at 1.15pm on Tuesday and two fires broke out immediately. Seismologists said the earthquake, followed by a series of smaller aftershocks, fault line and not on the extremely active San Andreas fault, which is where most previous earthquakes have

Skyscrapers in San Francisco swayed for up to half a minute and in Berkeley and Oakland many office workers ran into the street. At one high school some 2,000 youngsters left their classrooms and ran for open

Most of the injuries were in Morgan Hill where 12 people, including four children, were hurt, none of them too seriously. Nine homes were damaged

ski" (the novelist).

One incident illustrates the point: Nowakowski's wife is the

defence counsel for the veteran

(though still young) dissident Adam Michnik. He and 10

other Solidarity leaders and advisers have been in Rako-

wiecka Prison awaiting trial -the date of which has still not

been stated - on charges of

trying to overthrow the state

authorities. Mrs Nowakowski

left the prison earlier this

and was promptly stopped by

police who said they wanted to

check the engine number of her

car. She was then taken to a

police station and strip-

searched. The police were

apparently looking for any notes from Mr Michnik.

started in the prison into

leakage of information. How

does the Western press know

about the health of the 11

How does Mr Michnik manage to publish long articles in Der Spiegel? The defence

lawyers are under suspicion.

They can meet their clients only

in special rooms and nobody

doubts that the conversations

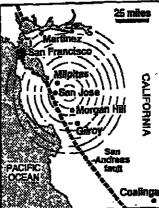
Each case against defence

lawyers seems to tighten the Poland.

are eavesdropped.

prisoners?

An investigation has been



there, four of them completely

Damage was estimated the at between \$5m and \$10m. However, except for broken windows and food tumbling off supermarket shelves, miracu-lously there was little additional damage. At a San Francisco restaurant the shock startled people at lunch but when it was over, the restaurant manager said: "They clapped and went back to their food."

Officials at Anderson Dam, five miles from San José, noted was centred on the Calvaras a new crack but said there was no apparent danger to residents

from flooding.
California's last big earthquake was on January 22 when
one reaching 5.25 on the Richter scale struck near the Monterey peninsular. Tuesday's was described as "a major earthquake".

The San Francisco earth-quake of 1906, the seventy-eighth anniversary of which was observed just a week ago, was 8.3 on the Richter scale. The May 1983 Coalinga earthquake that virtually wiped out the California community Coalinga registered 6.7.

the confidentiality of the meet-

Mr Bednarkiewicz had been

investigating the death of a schoolboy, Grzegorz Przemyk -

who died after being in police

custody - and a break-in, apparently by security police, into a church aid centre. Both

were understandably sensitive

The doven of human rights lawyers, Mr Wladyslaw Sila-

Nowicki then protested in an

open letter to General Jaru-zelski and was promptly called

to the Interior Ministry where

he was told that he was being

provisionally charged with "in-

state"

sulting the highest organs of

drzejewski, who defended Soli-

darity activists striking at a

nuclear research institute, has

been suspended from practice.

Defence counsel in the prov-

inces have complained that

their offices are searched and

that suspicious characters,

claiming unconvincingly that

they are underground activists, come into their offices wanting

to be put in touch with other

There are now only six or

seven specialist defence counsel for political prisoners in War-saw, some 30 in the whole of

Solidarity fugitives.

Another lawyer, Piotr An-

State fails to cow

Solidarity lawyers

From Our Own Correspondent, Warsaw

Pressure is growing on the noose further. The defence small, beleagnered band of counsel, Maciej Bednarkiewicz, lawyers who defend imprisoned was arrested on a number of

sources said production of a nuclear bomb "is entering its final stages.'

> Wine war Carcassonne (Reuter) - Five French winegrowers arrested suspected of destroying a huge hypermarkety by petrol bombs last weekend. It was selling imported wines as well

as regional product.

1979 revolution.

Anthem lives

Sydney (Reuter) - Australian soldiers who fought with British forces in the First World War defied a government edict that "God Save the Queen" is no longer the national anthem and played it at memorial services yesterday to the Gallipoli landing of 1915.

Iran 'will

possess

A-bomb by 1986'

Iran is making a nuclear bomb, which is likely to be ready within two years, according to Jane's Defence Weekly, the British defence magazine. It

quoted unidentified press re-

ports from the Gulf for the

story.
"We checked out the reports

with our sources, and they weren't knocked down," one of the editorial staff told Reuters.

A West German company had sent 40 experts to resume

building the nuclear power plant at Boushahar, work on which was suspended after the

West German intelligence

Paint bill

Los Angeles (AP) - Two photographers have filed damages claims against Prince Andrew for his impromptu spray paint job on the press last week. One wants \$1,200 the other \$600. The British Con-

Group freed

Belgrade (Reuter) - All the 28 Yugoslav dissident intellectuals rounded up last Friday while listening to a lecture by Mr Milovan Djilas, the veteran civil rights campaigner, have now been freed, Mr Djilas said. All their flats were searched.

Swiss pile

Leibstadt (AP) - The first test run was held at Switzerland's newest 1,000 megawatt nuclear power plant here with commeri-cal operation scheduled to start in October. Two-fifths of the country's power will then be

Lesbians wed

Hamburg (AFP) - two lesbians had a white church wedding in Hamburg's Altona suburb over the Easter holdiday, the first marriage of its kind in West Germany. The pastor faces disciplinary action.

Jail ballad

Belgrade (AFP) - A 19-yearold Albanian singer substituted the word schiperia, (the Albanian for Albania) for shocheria (society) at a recent concert in Yugoslavia's south-east Kosoro, heavily populated by Albanians. The song thus praised Albania and it earned him a 60-day jail sentence.

Caviar catch

Sofia (AFP) - A team of Bulgarian fishermen landed five' giant sturgeons weighing a total of 1,225lb. One was 363lb. The catch yielded 127lb of caviar.

Beaches reopen Glen Cove, (Reuter) - The

New York suburb of Glen Cove finally lifted its two-year ban on Soviet diplomats using its beaches, golf courses and tennis courts. In the long wrangle, the Justice Department intervened, the council was taken to court, and a new mayor was elected.

Rare leopards

Krefeld (AFP) - Three snow leopards, a species near extinction, were born in the zoo here. Zoos round the world have put in requests for them.

Take six

Memphis (AFP) - Rock and country musician Jerry Lee Lewis, aged 48, has married Kerrie McCarver, a 22-year-old Country and Western singer. It is his sixth marriage. The first three ended in divorce, his fifth died of a drug overdose.

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Judge rejects writ to free Kenya detainees A habeas corpus application and Mr Kamonji Wachira.

for the release of four Kenyans, in detention since 1982, has been rejected by the Chief Justice, Mr Alfred Simpson, in the High Court here.

illegal because details of their cases were not tabled in Parliament in 1982 and precise grounds were not supplied to the detainees.

They were detained early in 1982, several months before the attempted coup in August of that year.

Justice said the adjournment of Parliament soon after the detentions did not invalidate them, and the orders were not affected by any lack of detail in the statements supplied to the detainees.

The Attorney-General, Ma Mathew Muli, opposed the application on behalf of the

Elton John to meet Walesa California". For the most part. Baez singing her satirical song Happy Birthday, Leonid Brezh-Elton John is due to appear in the vast Stalinist wedding-cake structure in the middle of Warsaw known as the Palace of Culture. The building was

dedicated to the memory of

hall can hold only 2,000 or so

fans, and the result is that black market prices for the

concert tickets have now reached 7,000 zioties, or two weeks' average wages. This is about double the black market price for tickets for a Yehadi Menuhin concert due to be held on the same

Stalin, but this inscription has

Unfortunately, the concert

since been chipped off.

Mr Walesa was working

normally at the Gdansk ship-

Bombings in southern Lebanon

Israelis suspect a Syrian connexion

afternoon of April 12, a schoolboy in his late teens called Ali Safiadin was sitting in a green Fiat car on the little bridge just west of Deir Qanoun, an unpainted village that straggles untidily up the side of a low hill not far from

Several poeple saw him sitting in the car. One of them noticed that he seemed distracted and asked if he felt unwell. "Give my family my regards", was all he said.

*р*оја нагті old schoolgirl from the village passed Safiadin as she walked home from the house of some relatives. He seemed to be "thinking" she said.

A few second later, two Israeli armoured personnel carriers came up the road towards the village and Safiadin started his car. Dola Harmanani did not see what happened next but she heard the explosion. She fell on to the ground, cutting her face open on the stones of the road as Safiadin rammed his car between the Israeli vehicles and detonated a huge bomb which he was carrying with him.

It tore him literally to pieces - the villagers had to go round picking up the bits afterwards and turned one of the Israeli carriers into an inferno of exploding ammunition. Four of the soldiers were carried away wounded. Dola Harmanani ran home to her parents "I cried when I saw myself in the mirror", she said.

The explosion of Ali Safiadin's bomb had reverberations that went far beyond Deir Qanoun, for it was one of the first occasions when anyone was



able to discover the identity of a and supposed martyrdom in the

battle against the Israelis. His was an interesting story. His brother had been arrested by the Israelis last year and had been imprisoned in the Israeli military interrogation headquarters just south of the city when another suicide bomber whose identity has never been revealed - drove a lorry loaded with explosives at the building in November. The brother was one of the handcuffed prisoners who were killed and Ali' Safiadin blamed not the bomber but the Israelis for his death.

Deir Qanoun was his revenge. Yet it was, in its way, also an isolated incident, for other attacks on the Israelis have had different motives, either religious or political. And across in eastern Lebanon, around the villages of Ebl el-Saqi and Rachaya Foukhar, Norwegian soldiers of the United Nations force in southern Lebanon have been discovering intriguing evidence of a quite different motive behind the attacks on

the Israeli occupation army. On February 29, for example, the Norwegians noticed a structed walkie-talkie from been suggesting. which all but one of the crystals

frequency. The Norwegians surrounded the car on a neighbouring road and the two young men inside both Sunni Muslims from the village of Kfar Shouba, a hamlet that is supposed to be con-

trolled by Israel's Lebanese militias - said they were members of the Lebanese Communist Party.
Then last month, the Norwegians found a similar bomb on the same stretch of road with an

this time with three Russian hand-grenades and a Britishmade mortar projectile as explosives. Once again, the men involved ~ one of whom was a Christian - said they were members of the Lebanese Communist Party. One of them also said that they had planted the bomb in

return for money which was to help pay for a course in electronics at a Soviet university. Another piece of evidence was a plastic supermarket bag inside the first bomb which had come from a shop in Chtaura in Lebanon. It had somehow been brought across the front lines to Mercedes car being driven in a Israeli-occupied territory.

Major Torleif Sandnes of the road north of Marjayoun above Norwegian Army summed it all a ravine formed by two almost up quickly: "These men knew sheer cliffs. They later came what they were doing", he said. across a steel box lying beside "The detonating system was the tarmac containing Soviet- very professional. They were made 400-gram TNT explosives taking orders, I think, from a each stick with Russian gentleman in the Bekaa." Just writing stamped on the side – who this gentleman might be, surrounded by heavy iron the Norwegians are not reveal-screws and nuts. The bomb was ing although the Syrian conconnected to a complex radio nexion appears to be strong – as detonation system, a recon- the Israelis themselves have The UN handed the first two

had been removed, setting the detonator on a very specific gendarmerie in Marjayoun whence they are believed to have been taken by the Israelis. The Norwegians freed the second two.

But the principal effect of the Guerrilla attacks against the Israelis is psychological. Across southern Lebanon at night, the occupation army virtually disappears, the Israeli troops staging a dark withdrawal staging a dark withdrawal behind the earthen ramparts of their fortifications. The roads identical detonating system but are dangerous. No Jeeps or tanks travel. Just south of Ebi el-Sagi this week, there was a lone Israeli checkpoint where a judgment

"I don't know who is attacking us", he said. "Some do it for money. They put the explosives by the side of the road and run off to the fields and detonate the bombs from there. We don't catch them. (President) Assad is behind it. The Syrians want to take attention off their problems at

Assad or not, the Israelis have enough problems of their

Last phase in battle lawyers who defend imprisoned human rights campaigners and solidarity activists in Poland. They are trying to frighten us, one lawyer says. "Just as they are trying to frighten the writers by arresting Mark Nowakowski" (the novelist). over Soviet export curb From Bailey Morris

The battle over proposed new US export controls on goods of military value to the Soviet Union moves into its most difficult phase this week as Congress reconvened to take final action on legislation which been

opposed by Europeans. Not since the pipeline controversy of 1982 has a trade-related issue created such strong tensions among allied governments which differ sharply on the use of export controls for national security reasons. The Reagan Administration,

in proposing legislation to extend the Export Administration Act, asked Congress to invest the President with expanded powers to restrict technology trade for national security purposes and to extend these controls to foreign companies.

The two houses of Congress have now passed sharply different versions of the legislation. A bipartisan group of con-gressional leaders will meet this soldier who identified himself week to begin tough nego-only as Moshe made his own tiations on a final, compromise version.

In anticipation of these meetings, the European Community has launched an unprecedented direct lobbying cam-paign in an attempt to influence The fear in Europe is that

proponents of tougher export controls in the Defence Department and elsewhere in the Administration will win, thus raising the spectre of a new, deeply divisive US-European confrontation over high technology trade.
"If the Defence Department

is given the final say then we are headed for a major fight with the United States which will make chickenfeed of our agricultural dispute," said Viscount Etienne Davignon, Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner for Industry,

A further tightening of US controls would adversely affect existing cooperative arrangements between European and American companies and threaten such ventures, in future, Viscount Davignon said. "We would become two armed

camps."
House and Senate negotiators are divided over the breadth of controls proposed in their respective Bills. The EEC favours the less restrictive House version, which would protect the sanctity of existing commercial contracts and limit controls to only a short list of truly strategic technological equipment.

The Senate version would extend controls to a wide variety of goods and broaden the Government's power to impose extra-territorial controls on foreign companies engaged in technology trade. In addition, there is sharp

disagreement over which agency should be given authority to enforce export controls. The House version - sponsored by Mr Don Bonker, from Washington, would leave it with the US Commerce Department, which advocates a moderate approach to controls.

Giving his ruling, the Chief Counsel for the four submitted that their detention was

The four are former MPs, Mr George Anyona and Mr Koigi Warnwere, and Nairobi Univer-

sity lecturers, Dr Edward Oyugi

Elton John, the British rock star, plans to meet Mr Lech Walesa, the leader of the banned Solidarity trade union, during a brief concert tour in Poland this week, according to informed sources.

When exactly this unlikely spectacle will take place is still unclear. The British star, who recently featured in a much publicized wedding, will be flying with two private aircraft into Warsaw Pact territory in time for a concert on Friday night.

He was originally supposed, in his capacity as chairman of Watford Football Club, to kick off a football match between the British Embassy and Polish journalists, but the message has now reached Warsaw that he has an injury. This would open up a hole in his schedule for arranging a



mission known as "Operation

with the Solidarity

Mr Walesa has mesmerized number of Western rock, folk and pop stars. While he was still interned in the months after the declaration of martial law in the winter of 1981-1982. the American singer Joan Baez sent a personal tape-recorded message to him via a charity

Sick economy forces Nyerere reshuffle Nairobi (AFP) - President by Mr Aboud Jumbe prior to Julius Nyerere of Tanzania, his resignation on January 29. whose government is facing an The new Foreign Minister is

more than a third of his ministers. A new Cabinet of only 14 ministers, compared to 21 before the reshuffle, was due to be sworn in yesterday, according to Dar Es Salaam Mr Salim Ahmed Salim, the

new Prime Minister, is a career diplomat aged 42. He had been Minister since November, 1980 and replaces Edward Sokoine, who died in a road accident on April 12. Mr Ali Hassan Mwinyi, the new Zanzibari President elected last week, has been named

Republic of Tanzania, which

celebrates its twentieth anniver-

sary today. Both posts were held

Tehran (AFP)- Hojatoleslam

the results published on Tues- Ayatollah Khomeini.

Hashemi Rafsanjani, Speaker of

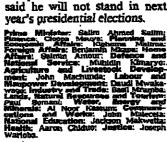
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who previously held the post from 1977 to 1980 before becoming Information Minister The appointment of Mr Salim as Prime Minister makes

him a likely candidate to succeed President Nyerere, who

independence in 1961 and has

has led the country





Things go better with shell: Al, a 245lb tortoise at El Paso Zoo, Texas, trying out the wheels that will get him around Iranian voters put Majlis Speaker well ahead

earlier this month, according to task of choosing a successor to Parliament.

1,801,458 votes, compared with known and will automatically which Hojtoleslam Ali Akbar Nategh Nouri, the Interior Minister, has indicated will take 1,151,541 in 1980 but 2,221,880 become members of the Parliathe Iranian Parliament, came in December, 1982, in the ment Observers said it was too out well ahead in the Majlis elections for the "Assembly of early to detect any strong place before the end of May. (parliament) elections held here Experts", which will have the political trends in the new The remaining 16 representa-

for the next two months while an injured forepaw heals.

The turnout in Tehran was down on the last elections in day. The 14 people who obtained tives for the capital will be December, 1982, Hojataleslam Rafsanjani won a simple majority were all well chosen in a second round, 2,677,844 to 2,202,665.

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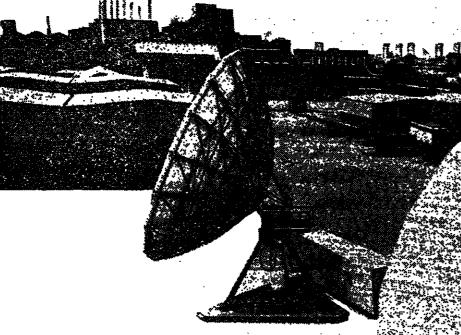
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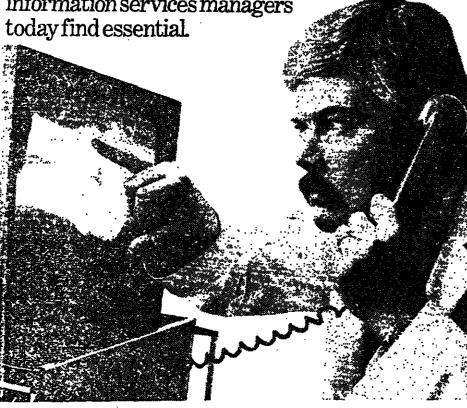


Bringing Cable TV down to earth

Completed in just six months on a derelict dockland site, London's first operational earth station—The London Teleport.

It provides a vital service for Cable operators. Twin aerials transmit TV programming material via satellites. This is received by operators in Britain and abroad through small dish aerials on their premises.

Four more aerials will provide City businesses with the advanced high-speed information services managers



How doctors get the picture-by phone

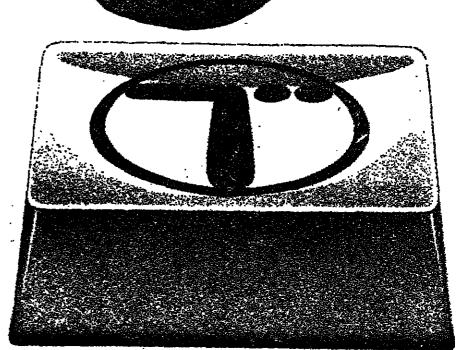
Specialists on call can now save vital time by viewing medical information—X-rays, brain scans and other graphic diagnostic aids—on their home TV sets.

A new system developed by British Telecom connects transmission equipment at a hospital with the doctor's home via the telephone network. Capital cost is not large, and the system operates for the price of a telephone call.

Apilot scheme is already in operation—with plans well advanced for extension to the rest of Britain, and then overseas.

Apublic service that could literally save lives: a new market for British Telecom.

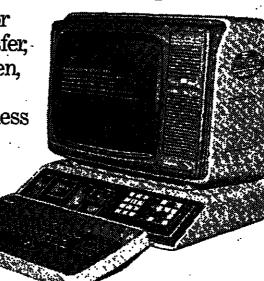




Taking stock—minute-by-minute

New equipment, new techniques for stock and credit control, for funds transfer, even for selling directly off the TV screen, give management the possibility of a minute-by-minute overview of business operations.

Akey to the real-life viability of these seemingly science fiction developments is Packet SwitchStream (PSS), and KiloStream, just two



of British Telecom's growing range of digital services.

PSS and KiloStream provide fast, high quality data transmissions at the most economical cost.

They are already widely available in major business centres and they are rapidly expanding countrywide.

<u>Competing in</u> <u>a world growth market...</u>

Trading contracts agreed with 60 countries.

Turnover growth from overseas business up 50% in past year.

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The Times Profile Breyten Breytenbach

It was at the age of 36; the height of his literary acclaim, that South Africa's leading Afrikaans poet Breyten Breytenback was imprisoned for seven years for clandestine activities against

the apartheid system.

Recently released and now back in his Paris home with his wife Yolande, Breytenbach is still numbed by his prison experience and the shocks of reentry into freedom. But he consented to talk about how he was caught, and how his fellow-Africaners treated him.

Relishing his return to the food and wine of France, he toasts the Ilinary contrast with South African prison food. "Spare diet in the punishment cell is a handful of dry gruel, so dry you have to mix it with toothpaste to get it down", he said, and confirms that food in South African prisons is still graded according to the race of the prisoner. "Even the condemned man's last meal is subject to apartheid. Before being hanged the white hanged the white prisoner gets a whole roast chicken. The black prisoner gets half a chicken. Strangely enough, from the time they are condemned the blacks get the same food as the whites - except for that last meal. Its like a kind of reaffirmation of apartheid in the final moment before the gallows."

Breytenbach, now 43, is an unique thorn in the side of South Africa's governing Afrikaners, whose resentment of his dissidence conflicts with their respect for his artistic eminence.

His contribution has been to push Afrikaans beyond its own confines, making it sing



Afrikaans is one of the newest languages in the world, evolving over the past 300 years from the Dutch spoken by the first white settlers in South Africa. Today it is linguistically closer to modern Flemish than to modern Dutch, and is understood in Holland only if spoken slowly. Because it is the home language of three million white Afrikaners - the group which has ruled South Africa since 1948, in varying degrees of domination over two million English-speaking whites of British descent, two million english-speaking whites of "coloureds" (of black and white and married Yoland Ngo Thi Hoang one million "Asiatics" (mostly descendants of Indian labour- Paris, whose father was finance ers) and more than 20 million blacks it is identified with the 317 apartheid laws and regarded by most blacks as the language of their oppression.

Conversely, most Afrikaners regard it as the language of their survival, and for a visa for his wife to accompany the relatively few Afrikaners who reject apartheid and refuse to conform to refused entry to South Africa as a Afrikaner Volkspolitiek are branded as outcasts and verragiers - traitors. Breytenbach points to the number of leading Afrikaner poets who have been makes interracial marriage or sex a destroyed as people by the clash between the broad challenges of their art and the narrow demands of such Volkspolitiek: Leipoldt, rejected by the Volk, virtually stopped writing; Van Wyk Louw was ostracized after public repudiation by Verwoerd; Opperman drank himself to ruin; Ingrid Jonker walked into the sea to her death; Blum left the country and was never heard of again; Kirsch, Eybers and Philander emigrated; Watermeyer drank himself Africa to contact known anti-apartheid to an early death and Gilliland and Knobel both committed suicide.

Badly spoken, Afrikaans is an ugly language which rasps like sandpaper to the ear. Well spoken, it is one of the gems of the linguistic store, rich in vivid imagery and musical sounds. Political orators such as J. D. Basson make it sound like a cello, full of fruity tones and cadences, and its innovative modernity gives its newer words a special impact - an aircraft carrier is an abbaskip (piggyback ship) and a subway rail is a moltrein (mole train).

Breytenbach's contribution has been to push Afrikaans beyond its own confines, expanding its boundaries of poetic vocabulary and making it sing with a new confidence. In prison he

In die middel van die nag kom die stemme van dié wat binne enkele dae gehang sal en in die klanke 'n dun benoudheid

soos van stywe toue In the middle of the night come the voices of those who within mere days will be hanged and in the sounds is a thin anguish as of stretched ropes

The translation is crudely inadequte to the beauty of the lines in Afrikaans, conveying only a hint of Breytenbach's

How did this nationally acclaimed poet, his brother a general in the South African army and his background deeply rooted in the Afrikaner group consciousness, come to declare a private war on that group's innermost political values?

A descendant of an old Cape family - the Berytenbachs were among the early settlers of the seventeenth century - Breyten graduated from high school in the Afrikaner heartland of the western Cape Province, but deviated from the Afrikaner norm by eschewing the adademic shrine of Afrikanerdom, Stellenbosch University, in favour of the English-language University of Cape Town. For him the first stirrings of art - painting and poetry - began at the age of 15, and he was impressed with the reputation of the fine arts faculty in Cape Town.

At the age of 20 he abandoned the course and set out for Europe, working for a time as a porter at Euston station before drifting into a variety of jobs in different parts of the Continent. But Lien, born in Vietnam and raised in minister under Ngo Dinh Diem.

During the next two years he produced two volumes of poetry which earned him South Africa's top two literary prizes - but when he applied him to collect the awards she was "non-white", and it was pointed out that Breytenbach could face arrest under the Immorality Act, which

Breytenbach's response was to begin an involvement with anti-apartheid groups in exile. He ultimately joined with two other white South Africans, Barend Schuitema and Don Morton, to plan an organization they proposed to call Okhela, as white anti-apartheid contribution to the cause of oppressed blacks. It was decided that Breytenbach should travel incognite to South whites and some black spokesmen, such as Steve Biko, with two aims. One

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How they find it, keep it, make it



Breytenbach with Yolande, his Vietnamese-born wife. She was refused entry to South Africa when her husband was awarded literary prizes there.

in South Africa, and the other was to "help develop a political infrastructure among anti-apartheid whites, to project to other whites inside South Africa the ideal of an alternative society free of racial barriers".

With the help of a French anti-apartheid organization, which supplied a false French passport in the name however, began when a warder broke Rome to Johannesburg. But the French group must have been infiltrated. because from the time "Galazka" obtained his visa the South African security police had him under surveillance. They were later to claim that an air hostess aboard the plane was working on their behalf, and that they knew "Galazka" was Breytenbach all along, but subsequent events cast doubt on both claims, suggesting it was only after his arrest more than a week later that they discovered his true

He was taken in shackles a thousand miles to prison where he spent the next five years



They shadowed him in Johannesburg and Cape Town, noting his contacts, before arresting him and charging him under the Terrorism Act. Initially Breytenbach was not unduly concerned, because he felt he had not done anything illegal in normal terms beyond using a false passport - hardly a major crime.

But he was to find that in South Africa normal terms do not apply to political activities. He was sentenced to nine years in prison for the intent with which he had entered the country, the court taking the view that trade union campaigns against apartheid constituted a threat to the safety of the

So it was in November 1975 that Breytenbach began his long period of solitary confinement among the condemned prisoners in Pretoria's maximum security section - a confinement which was to be interrupted only by three bizarre events.

One occured when, after repeated petitioning by Afrikaner writers such as Andre Brink, he was allowed to see a new edition of his work. The prison authorities interpreted this literally - he was allowed to see the volume but not read it, their reasoning being that he was banned from reading unauthorized material even though it was material written by himself. Under the eyes of warders he was permitted to handle the book and flip over the pages cursorily before it was snatched back, lest he might dwell on any word within.

Another strange event was when he was removed from his cell one day by the senior security police officer, Colonel Broodryk, and taken to the latter's home. Broodryk, who admired

was to channel money from European Breytenbach's writing, walked with church groups to black trade unionists him in the garden and introduced him to his two daughters, who asked for and received Breytenbach's autograph. Broodryk was later to allow Breytenbach to write a book of poetry in prison; a book which, without consulting the author, Broodryk caused the printers to dedicate to himself.

"Christian Galazka", Breytenbach all the rules of the prison to whisper shaved off his beard and flew from into Breytenbach's cell that he was a secret ally named Groenewald who wished to help Breyten escape, and was prepared to smuggle letters and messages to friends outside. It was such a crude attempt to win

The most bizarre incident of all,

aus trust that Breytenbach made his responses sound absurdly naive or indistinct - guessing, correctly, that he was being tape-recorded by Groenewald. He played along accepting writing materials and sending out several letters to Yolande and others, hoping some might get through as part of the official campaign to win his trust, and verbally led Groenewald into ever wilder realms of subversive speculation about sabotage targets.

The result was a second trial under the Terrorism Act in June, 1977, when he was formally accused of planning an escape, recruiting a warder for such a purpose, illegally sending letters from prison and plotting to blow up targets such as the Afrikaans Language Monument in Paarl. The state officials realized all too late that they had been sent up by their poetic prisoner, and shortly after the trial began the patent absurdity of the charges became embarrassing even to the state pros-

The prosecutor had not bothered to listen to Groenewald's tapes, and had relied on transcripts supplied by the security police. When the recordings were played in court and heard to be nonsensical or indistinct, and to bear little relation to the "transcripts", however, Breytenbach was aquitted or all charges except that of smuggling letters out of prison, for which he was fined a nominal 50 rands.

He was taken in shackles a thousand miles, from Pretoria to Pollsmoor Prison near Cape Town, where he was to spend the next five years of his captivity until the end of 1982.

During this period, increasing diplomatic pressure was being brought to bear on Pretoria by the French government, pressure which became sharper with the accession to power in Paris of the Mitterand administration. When the South African government finally relented at the end of 1982 Breytenbach became one of 27 political prisoners, and the first white, to be released before full expiry of sentence in the first such commutation in 30

Breytenbach says his remission of sentence from nine years to seven, to which the South African authorities attached no conditions beyond ascertaining that he would leave the country, was sudden and unaccompanied by any prior indications by officials. At first he could not believe it, and thought he was being taken to the superintendent's office to be told of punishment for some infraction of

After a four-hour delay in his release, owing to the fact that no box could be found anywhere in the prison for his original clothes and belongings, he was allowed a brief visit to his father before flying to Johannesburg to return to Paris. Although his father had not spoken a word in years, following a stroke, he looked at Breyten and burst out with Magtig! (Wonderful!). It was the only word he could manage, and he repeated it several times as they shared a bottle of wine here. a bottle of wine before Breyten's supervisor indicated it was time to go

to the airport. On the way to the airport he gained permission to run into the sea for a quick swim (emerging from the water he noticed a sign proclaiming that the beach was segregated), and he and his clothes were still wet from the swim when he arrived at the airport. He had forgotten about boarding procedures, and when an airline official reached for his parcel of manuscripts to put it through the security screen a tug-ofwar ensued, until Breyten was assured that his separation from his manu-scripts was only temporary.

In Johannesburg Yolande and the French Ambassador were waiting for him with a ceremonial bottle of champagne, and the Breytenbachs flew to Paris after seven and a half years of separation.

"I couldn't get used to things on the wall, like pictures and ornaments. . . walls looked cluttered after the bareness of the cells. I kept opening doors and leaving them open - the joy of an open door, to walk through whenever you like. Telephones were exotic things I had forgotten about, colours overwhelmed me, the bright colours of clothing, flowers, books... and the voices of children... I hadn't heard the voice of a child for seven years. To see the stars at night! And the moon! To ride in a car, and see other cars going by, travelling so fast... and not knowing the value of money, not knowing what things cost after seven

But for him the worst moments of imprisonment were waking up every morning. "After the freedom of dreams you open your eyes to the reality of the cell, and the realization that this is your reality for years and years to come." In time the reality became unreality, and he would hallucinate. He would be sure that Yolande was speaking to him, and would answer out aloud. He also acquired an imaginary cell companion, Don Espejuelo, (Sir Mirror) a sardonic old Spaniard who criticized Breyten's poetry and scoffed at his views on painting, books, cinema and music.

He speaks of his separation from Yolande, but also of missing the prison life



"He is a hardegat (hard-assed) old chap, Don Espejuelo", says Breytenbach. "Always punching holes in my self-esteem, always arguing, but stimulating company in a place like that: After a long time in solitary confinement I also started getting visits from Dostoyevsky, which was terrific. I came to know him quite well, and to call him Feodor. In fact, I owe Feodor a poem, the poem referred to in Karamazov, about Christ returning to Spain where he meets the Grand Inquisitor. One of the brothers Karamazov describes the poem but it's never written. That's the one I promised to write for Feodor.'

He plans to write mostly in French and English. Is this a rejection of Afrikaans? "Not as a language, no. I'd never reject Afrikaans as a language, but I reject it as part of the Afrikaner political identity. I no longer consider myself an Afrikaner. Actually I prefer to consider myself a citizen of the world. I feel at home here in Paris. I'm a Parisian: But Afrikaans . . . I've long felt there was hope for it only if it were used in resistance to apartheid, but I think it is now too late. For blacks it is a denial of reality and a humiliation. Afrikaans as the youngest prince of the Germanic languages? The prince has been poisoned. What remains is a language for use on tombstones."

He speaks of the years of separation from Yolande, the pain of isolation and the early part of the strange sensation of missing some aspects of prison life; an occasional pang of homesickness for his cell, its certitudes and reassuring routines. "The other night I dreamt I had to go back, and my biggest worry was that I'd given away my spoon and plate and bit of soap. Would I be able to get them

As writer and artist he counts it an advantage to have been imprisoned, and feels that his writing has been improved by the experience. His imprisonment has also helped him to square accounts with himself, as part of what he regards as a necessary process for white South Africans opposed to apartheid - the need to pay an explative price for it.

Donald Woods

Mouroir: Mirrornotes of a nevel by Breyten Breytenback will be published by Faber and Faber at £8.50 on April 30.

Tomorrow: John Young on where the salmon run

moreover... Miles Kington

Tribes at war in EC4

the We Rehind By Robe

have seen evidence of the most appalling bloodshed in Observerland (writes the editor of this column. Miles Kington).

During the course of an ordinary journey to Observerland, to have lunch, actually, I have seen scenes and heard reports which make it plain tht heads are rolling, backs are being stabbed and blood is being spilt. Normally not a squeamish man, even though I was invited there on a courtesy visit. Lunch, as I think I have mentioned.

Terrible things have been happening", a man called Donald told me, "and they are going to get even worse. Only last week a man came into my room and tried to give me the bullet. Luckly he missed, otherwise I would not be here today. if indeed I am here today, because from day to day I do not know if I am here or not."

Donald explained to me that the land is divided into two main tribes. He belonged to the more munerous one, the so-called N'uj, who do all the work and cultivate the wide rolling spaces of newsprint which dominate Observerland. Unfortunately, they are subservient to the Lourho tribe who, although much smaller in numbers, have all the money and firepower, and usually win when it comes to open strife.

Donald speaks with terror yet nobility of the man they call "Tiny", the leader of the Lonrho tribe, who is legendarily supposed to eat underlings for breakfast, though whether this was a literal fact or merely a figure of speech I was not able to find out. But I was shown bloodstains and heard sounds of firming from the personnel department.

These bloodstains come from the feet of my warriors", said Donald, whose other name I am sworn not to reveal. "Traditionally we have always travelled in our ancient transport known as black cabs, but the Lonrho are now cutting off our money for this, and many have been forced to walk. No wonder their delicate skins cut and bleed."

The income of Observerland depends largely on the number of visitors they are able to attract every Sunday, and it is a matter of pride with Donald that this number has grown since he became chief of the N'uj. It is a matter of sorrow that "Tiny" denies the growth of these numbers, but Donald is confident that the young men of his tribe are 100 per cent behind him. His main fear is that "Tiny", tired of the conflict, may sell his homeland to the dreaded Pergamon tribe.

Who knows what is happening?" says a tired Donald. "Perhaps I will be rescued by the ancient chiefs, the socalled independent directors. Perhaps I will not. Perhaps I will be forced to flee Observerland where I have lived for so many years and start a new life. Perhaps, O Kington, you will give me a small job in Moreoverland."

And perhaps not. But whatever happens, I pray that peace will come soon to this troubled place. The Sunday visitors to Observerland are not, perhaps, very interested in the tribal conflict - many of them come only to taste the cooking of the legendary Jane Grigson - but until this conflict is over, there can be no peace, not for Donald, nor for any of the N'uj, who only ask to be allowed to continue with their traditional rite of gathering after work at the watering-holes, as the expenses are cooked softly in the background.

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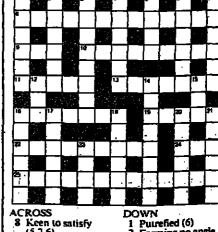
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Hats, Daimlers and Hitler

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The World We Left Behind By Robert Kee

(Weiderfeld & Nicolson, £11.95) In June 1939 the King and Queen went to America, the first visit by a British sovereign. Vast crowds at the World's Fair in New York and elsewhere adored them. The Queen looked spectacularly pretty. The impact of the visit on the Americans from coast to coast was enormous. Even the virulently anti-British Col. McCor-mick's Chicago Daily Tribune succumbed, reduced to muttering subdued warnings under vards of pictures and stories, the United States receives them cordially, if with mental reservations." New York's Mayor, La Guardia, told the King that "he had negotiated a treaty of friendship which would take many years to revoke." That visit did more than anything to put America on our side when the war began less than three months later.

At the beginning of the year H. G. Wells, discussing the coming visit in the News Chronicle, wrote, "These young people are, I believe, a very charming couple, constantly smiling and bowing but they mean absolutely nothing in the problems of today...That visit is of very small importance in my horoscope. What is of very great importance is the approach of daily Transatlatic

On August 28, five days after the Nazi-Soviet pact was signed, Bernard Shaw had a letter in The Times about the "joyful news that Hitler is now under the thumb of Stalin whose interest in peace is overwhelming And everyone except myself, is frightened out of his or her wits. Why?" The judgment of very clever people is not to be relied on in serious

The judgment of the ordinary people is always better. They understood that the King and Queen had caught the emotions of the Americans and that it was these emotions which would count more than any poli-ticians meetings. All during 1939 the British knew the war was close despite Neville Chamberlain's pitiful searching for hope of peace in the ambiguous utterances of Hitler. Chamberlain could still think all was not lost after Hitler marched into Prague on March 15; and when Hitler marched into Poland early on Friday September Chamberlain delayed the military support pledged to Poland use if it had been immediate),

relieving Chamberlain of the necessity to go to war. Whatever historians deduce. and however much they excuse,

dropping pleading leaflets not

bombs on Germany, until Sunday when it was altogether

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from their reading of unpub-lished documents and from the private motives of leaders, it is in the newspapers of the time that the broad truth appears. The irremovable daily facts are there. Robert Kee, as demon-strated by his history of Ireland, is an able historian. He has let the newspapers of 1939 tell the story of that fascinating year guided by his intelligent selec-tion which gives a fair sample of mood and behaviour of

politicians editors and people. The illustrations, all taken from the newspapers, are brilliantly chosen. How nice to see the basic sports saloon years, but particularly in I Daimler for £485, and the sketches of Paris spring hats in The Times looking far more Anthony Parsons, the attractive than those of 1984. Though the British knew better than their politicians that war was inevitable they wisely decided to enjoy themselves while they could. A thousand special trains at the August Bank Holiday weekend were laid on by the London Midland and Scottish Railway Company alone. Murder trials and sport got more attention than heavy political matters.

During the year there was a significant shift of attitude. The public had wanted to be deluded by Chamberlain's "peace with honour" at Munich in 1938, and he had their backing then. They were not mentally prepared for war. A public opinion poll published the day Hitler entered Prague showed what the public now thought had been meant by appeasement. Only 28 per cent approved of it as "a policy which would ultimately lead to enduring peace".

There was sympathy for Jewish refugees from Germany but it was not universal. The Sunday Pictorial in January had a headline "Refugees get Jobs -Britons get Dole", and in the story the unfeeling words, "European refugees are stealing jobs from Britons by the hundred every week". An editorial in *The Evening Standard* said, "It is not possible for the British government to allow immigrants to pour into this country. We can only allow harbourage here so long as provision is being made at the same time for refugees to move on elsewhere..." Yet the horrors inflicted on the Jews by

Mr Kee's re-creation of the atmosphere of 1939 is authentic as I remember it. It is absorbing and worth any number of conventional histories. Franco's victory, Chamberlain's appeas-ing visit to Mussolini in Romethe first betrayal of Czechoslovakia, Italy's invasion of Alba-(which might have been some nia, and other notable events the contemporary view of them. All the trivialities which entertained people at the time are there too. Those who like their history accurate and comprehensive, but fun to read will

Hitler were well reported.

enjoy this book. Woodrow Wyatt vigorous life in the biography.

Anatomy of an honourable error

The Pride and the

Iran 1974-1979

By Anthony Parsons (Cape, £8.95)

Could and should Britain have done more to have prevented the toppling of the Shah? This personal account from our Ambassador in Teheran from 1974-79 provides fascinating insights towards answering that question. Yet strict observance of the Official Secrets Act and the 30 year rule means that we are only given a partial glimpse of what was over a number of years, but particularly in 1978, one of the most intense periods

Anthony Parsons, though being a party to and fully involved in much of these

discussions, had to exclude this area of diplomacy. In consequence there is too much "mea culpa" as though to compensate for the criticism that his on the spot assessment proved in the event to be wrong. He takes too shoulders and this gives the impression that his personal udgment was the dominating factor. In reality there were many other judgments, many other imputs. Well before the crisis the correct questions were constantly posed by the British Embassy in Teheran. "Has the Emperor any clothes?" was but David Owen examines the overthrow of the Shah

indictment of his professional national security. Subsequent expertise. This is worth stres-sing because some of the greatest public servants have been associated with mistaken judgments and yet have still retained the confidence and the respect of the politicians who they advised. Anthony Parsons was brought back in January 1979 from Teheran to London on promotion to a specially created Third Permanent Under Secretary job in the Foreign Office. The intention was to let him obtain invaluable experience of up to the minute service in Whitehall so that he would be ready should whoever was the Foreign Secretary after the election wish to send him either or to the United Nations. The worst public servants are those who never risk a judgement, who always hedge their bets. The best, and Anthony Parsons was amongst the very best, pose the right questions but are also ready to giving the wrong answers. It is a tribute to his professional skills that he was

Mrs Thatcher. The trendy Left in Britain in 1978 pretended that the fall of the Shah would improve the lot one. The fact that on balance he of the average Iranian and not

able to command the affection

and regard of people as diverse

as myself, Lord Carrington and

eyents have tragically proved how wrong those sentiments were. The abuse of human rights that existed under the Shah's regime proved to be much less than what followed in the wake of the revolution. The Iran-Iraq war is but one of the tragic consequences of the regional insecurity that manifested itself as soon as the Shah's grip on the region was

On the reasons for the Shah's fall, this account gives too little weight to the inflationary pressure that began to feed through the Iranian economy acting as a focus for discontent amongst the middle class professionals, as well as within the bazaar. Also, insufficient stress is given to the shattering effect over the last few months of the Shah of the strikes in the oil fields and the total inability of the armed forces to keep oil production up. It is amazing in retrospect that the Shah did not anticipate this potential weak-

Assessing the critical days in the Summer of 1978, one is bound to ask whether we and the United States should not have put much more pressure on the Shah to abdicate and to leave Iran. We had already concluded that at best he could came to the view that the Shah have damaging effects on only hope to survive as a could survive was not an British interest or on inter- constitutional monarch. We

had insufficient knowledge about his state of health. We understimated his capacity to vacillate and we attached too much importance to the need for him to be physically present in Iran in order to hold the armed forces together. In retrospect we should have given him a much firmer steer that he should leave and appoint his son as successor with an interim regency. This might have taken away the emotive focus for discontent around which public opinion in Iran could combine. There was little else that bound together the disparate groupings that coalesced to topple the Shah other than hatred of the man. The fault for any mistakes in our overall diplomacy at this time does not lie with our Ambassador in Teheran.

inevitably an Ambassador's personal contact and involve-ment with individuals clouds their judgment. One does not expect from an Ambassador' reports total objectivity for their task is to try to put themselves in the position of the government and the rulers whose actions they have to interpret back to their own country. The intimacy of Anthony Parsons' relationships with the Shah and the former Prime Minister Hovevda brought great benefits to Britain over a number of years. If criticisms are to be made about what was said through the British and US Ambassadors to the Shah in the last few critical months, they

should be directed at us

inspired passages, were patchy and repetitive: perhaps they should be declaimed. His book

on Milton – interestingly Wilson's last biography was of

Milton – was dictated over the space of ten days in his study at

Kingsland, his Sussex home. Wilson remarks: "He is out of

fashion, out of print, in most cases out of mind, not because of the quality of his literary output,

but, very largely, because of the nature of his political and religious beliefs". He later trims

this view. It is precisely the unevenness of Belloc's work which confines him to the lower

At least their two reputations

last: Belloc's does not. He wrote

too much, as he said himself, because his children were always "howling for pearls and caviar". Behind all the exuber-

ance he was a melancholy man.

Elodie, his Californian wife, confided, "I love you for your sad face". She and two sons pre-

deceased him: no wonder that in

his heart he was not "right as a

Ribstone Pippin". He would

have been even more disconso-

late if he had known that fifty

vears on the wish expressed in

On his Books was sadly futile

and unfulfilled: "When I am

dead, I hope it may be said: 'His sins were scarlet; but his books were read."

Parnassian slopes.



Burroughs: plunging in the vertigos

Fiction

Prairie oyster

Opus Pistorum By Henry Miller (W. H. Allen, £9.95)

The Place of Dead Roads By William S.

Burroughs (John Calder, £9.95)

Coals may have been brought to Newcastle, refrigerators sold to Esquimaux, sand scattered in Arabia, but *Opus Pistorum* achieves more. It is pornography written by Henry Miller. Penniless in Hollywood during the Second World War, Miller was paid a dollar a page for his lubricious effusions by a local bookseller, who catered in censored material to some leading film producers and directors. Miller obliged and the result is Opus Pistorum, Latin for the Work of a Grinder or Miller. It is more like the work of a dollar-a-trick literary whore. Despite praise from William S. Burroughs and Terry Southern, who term these pages audacious and a spring whist of the 1920s, Opus Pistorum books about the Tropics of Cancer and Capricom seem as steady as the Pilgrim's Progress. f you want an American in Paris in the obscene mode, punctuated with dots in the manner of a Celine novel, this is

vour prairie oyster. Burroughs himself emerged from playing with his handguns in his mid-Western bunker to write The Place of Dead Roads. It is a surreal timetrip through the cowboy myths of the American West, riddled with obsessions about revolvers, shooting, the male body, death and Egyptology. It is too personal a novel to

communicate more than the private world of a writer, whose gifts have always been greater than his capacity to organize them. Even the French Roman-tic poets aimed at fixing the vertigos. Burroughs plunges within them.

Hix Nix Stix Pix by David Llewellyn Burdett (Cape, £8.95) might well be another American hit-and-miss Hollywood novel written in the slang from the headlines of Variety, the trade paper. In fact, it is a witty and engaging run through the studio years from the First World War to the Second, an artful blend of political facts and the screen career of a star named Inshroin. Usually the mixture of history and romance confuses without entertaining, but in this case, as in E. L. Doctorow's Ragtime, the invention and resurrection of time past leads to an intriguing first novel from David Llewellyn Burdett.

The Hawthorn Goddess by Glyn Hughes (Chatto & Windus, £8.95) is a magical novel, quirky and earthy, about Yorkshire history during the period of the Industrial Revolution. The heroine, Anne Wylde, represents the doom of nature and the land. She suffers from the dominance of Reason and Profit, and even superstition, although she herself is half-mythological, a creature born of the ancient folk ways. Glyn Hughes has an arresting style, both rich and abrupt, mannered

with sudden inspirations. He intends a trilogy about Anne Wylde with her reappearing to live through the social history of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. If he does not labour his old beliefs and correspondences, he might achieve a moving and singular body of work in the end.

Andrew Sinclair

The cost of pearls and caviar

Hilaire Belloc By A. N. Wilson

(Hamish Hamilton, £12.95) A. N. Wilson describes Hilaire Belloc as a dirty, noisy figure,

"an opinionated supertramp". A contemporary, Gertrude Atherton, was constantly expecting Belloc's mind to "explode and burst through his skull . . . such a flow of words I have never listened to." He was not too worried about personal appearance, always wearing mourning after his wife's death in 1914. Anyone who did not mistake him for an undertaker would very naturally think of him as a priest". In later life he turned up at his agent's dressed typically in a "well-filled black fustian suit, dripping with soup, dandruff, grease and fishbones, and bulging at the pockets with newspapers and a bottle of white

He was an eccentric genius. He once declared that writing history was a matter of flair, not of facts. Certainly Belloc had flair. History itself has judged him of little worth since he either mishandled or ignored its facts. Wilson, too, has flair, and with a better balanced attitude towards anecdotes and substantiated facts, has brought Belloc, the rear half of Shaw's monstrous Chesterbelloc beast, to



Wilson (left) and Belloc: much in common

Wilson and Belloc have much was the author of more than 150 titles; today, at a much more tender age, Wilson has already when amusing subject and amusing author coincide. This fortunate conjuction has oc-curred with Wilson writing with

in common. Belloc was a had made a comet. Beyond prodigious writer of greater those deservedly famous, witty energy and output: so is Wilson. cantionary verses, Belloc's repu-When Belloc died in old age, he tation has not survived. His views were unpopular: he was Roman Catholic of the continental tradition, anti-Jew, and a trenchant critic of Parliament despite sitting as a MP for South Salford. And in his craft, although a prolific writer, he was careless. Many books were dictated, and though full of

Out of a minor star Wilson

Brian Martin mad picturesque convention

Disillusioning? Well slightly.

Azur, gules, vert, sable, purpur and turnips rampant achieved that position to

Chivalry By Maurice Keen

(Yale, £12.95) "May God raise me to that honour, that I may hold her, in whom dwell all my heart and thought, naked in my arms once before I cross the sea to

Outremer". This, the most haunting of all Maurice Keen's quotations was the eve-of-crusade prayer of Guy, the chatelain of Coucy, with its sharp clear evocation of once-real passions, its strange and robust mix of sacredness and secularity, and its touch of (Outremer far country), it says much about the mood of this remarkably good

in his history of chivalry in chivalry's true period, from the early 12th to the early 16th century, is that chivalry in fact was more secular, less Christian in its origins and ambiance than historians have imagined. He traces this back to the new cavalry tactics of the mid-11th century whereby, on field of battle, the knights had become a group, and to the even earlier invention of the stirrup which gave mounted warriors (shades of Monty Python), amongst other great advantages, the power of unhorsing. Maurice Keen sets out to unravel and assess in correct relation to each other the main components -

ric ideal. He is never less than interesting, often most compel-ling, in his depiction of, for instance, the Crusades as the greatest of all chivalrous adven-

The culture of chivalry was a very visual one. The colours of the robing white and scarlet, rather separate and a superior dark brown stockings (to remind the knight of earth and so mortality), the white belt of chastity, gold heroic spurs. The "tinctures" of heraldry: azur, gules, vert, sable, purpur, arranged in combinations by which one could recognize the owner in a battle, early examples of functional design martial, aristocratic and, inevi- The dazzling virile colours of

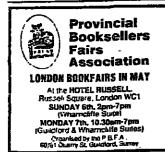
tably though by no means the tournament which remind overwhelmingly, Christian - of one of Mark Girouard's suggestion in The Return to Camelot. his study of the re-rise of chivalry in England in the nineteenth century, of the chivalric influence on the football jerseys worn at Rugby School. Maurice Keen writes very well and with immense enthusiasm, at his best at describing pageants, feasts and tourneys, the bright and boastful scenes of knightly dissi-pation, the atmosphere he so alluringly depicts as "the unthinking gaiety of idle hours". But he never loses touch with the necessities behind the cult of chivalry, the urge for this elite aristocratic martial group to create themselves a powerful traditions, propping up the position in society and having status quo. Even an apparently

maintain it And so the benevolent smiles of the great lady, familiar from the troubadours' beseeching lyrics, had more than simply sexual significance: they were the laisser passer, for the poor knight who had begged them. into a world of relative security. social and financial, in her husband's household. heralds emerge not just as interested amateurs, pedantic and eccentric sort of Lewis distinguish for example why Ot a den Rand bears on his sable shield a humble turnip, but as necessary adjuncts to pro-fessional chivalry, establishing

like the swearing on the bird - a swan, say, or a heron - before setting out to battle turns out on close inspection to be not a sudden inspirational impulse but public relations on a regal

But it is this separation of the real from romance, the fact from faërie, which is Maurice Keen's whole point, giving great authority and a worldly-wise amusement to a book which is scholarly, original, beguiling, and which should be read ideally in conjunction with David Lodge's shimmering chivalric - academic comedy, Small World.

Fiona MacCarthy



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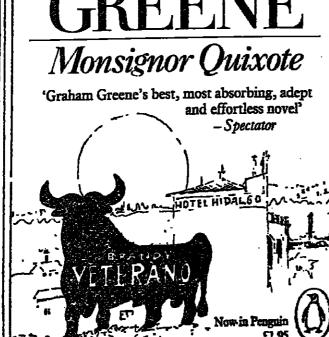
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Evil arrives at Rowan Garth in the shape of Amethyst, as Catherine Darby continues her highly popular saga. **TAMES** Hadley CHASE

HIT THEM WHERE IT HURTS The new bestseller from "The King of the Thriller" (Daily Mail) – a tense portrayal of blackmail and the Mafia. £8.25

In the year of his eightieth birthday, the new paperback bestseller from the master



Tim Heald reviews new thrillers G and T when the sherry fails

The Need to Know By William Haggard (Hodder & Stoughton, £8.95)

Some idiot once sent a letter bomb to Colonel Charles Russell, retired head of the Security Executive. He was out playing golf and it wasn't much of a bomb but it "frightened his housekeeper out of her skin and burnt a large hole in a fine Shiraz rug". The Colonel's reaction is entirely character-istic disdainful, laconic, and cool as the gin and tonic he'll accept when his hostess can't produce "drinkable sherry". When a ghastly American psychopath says something about being a soldier, Russell

something about peing a soldier, Russell remarks crisply, "You wouldn't last long in a British regiment."

The Colonel is supposed to be enduring a civilized retirement; but this is rudely interrupted when an old friend falls off his chaise-longue after lunch at the club. Rather dead, which becomes tiresome as he had once been a mate of de Gaulie's, privy to some interestpeople think he may have passed on to the Colonel. Suddenly Colonel Russell finds himself a pawn in the Super Power game though despite the appalling things that happen the

fective"), but this only adds conviction to his character. His creator is in his seventies now but remains as stylishly sar-donic as the Colonel. Both give the impression of being much younger than their years, fighting fit and more than able to give the opposition a run for their money. The Aquitaine Progression, by Robert Ludlum (Granada, £8.95). It was when one of the characters is told, "You'll be

minded were congenitally inef-

with red hair", that my patience finally gave out. It was page 616 after all but still old Ludlum was chuntering on about airline timetables and the Swissair from Geneva being thirty-four minutes early, just like a latter day Freeman Wills Croft rehearsing Bradshaw. And he will keep using "careen". Cars "careen" into walls, revolver butts "careen" into jaws, and he has a red hot Vietnam veteran ing secrets which one of two careening about Europe on a mission to save the world, and the man can't speak a word of anything but English. He may be top of the best seller list but what he needs is a good tarttongued interrogation from an appaining unings that nappen the upper lip scarcely quivers.

The Colonel is a touch reactionary for some tastes (he cackle by 200 pages Mr

much approves of a friend's Ludlum; we have ways of conviction that "the liberal-making you talk." making you talk." Mandrake in Granada, by John

Haythorne (Ross Anderson, £6.50). A little frivolity is a welcome relief in this overly pofaced genre and they don't come much more frivolous than this pseudonymous romp alleged to be by a "high-ranking British diplomat". Is there a clue to the author's identity in the fact that the alarming Lady Ursula has a butler named Parsons? A very slight, very silly, very short volume which feels as if it was scribbled after the sun has gone over the yard arm by our man in a hammock somewhere tropical. But not without a gentle charm.

Monopoly, by Jonathan Evans (Michael Joseph, £8.95). "I made a count", she said. "I'd say five per cent of the women are wives, the rest mistresses."
This seems to be the key to this everyday story of international banking folk. The premise is that bankers are amazingly elamorous and sexually insatiable; also that if Russian bankers behaved like Western bankers we could be in for a lot of trouble. Maybe so, but this particular version carries about as much conviction as a stock market report by Fiona Rich-

Tim Heald

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Here's the Gen

Jain Sproat's secret is out. The airline to which the former Aviation Minister has just been appointed chairman - and which he refused to identify - was disclosed by an anonymous caller yesterday. It is Genair, the Humberside regional carrier and commuter link for B-Cal and British Airways. Denis Allen, a Genair director, tells me Sproat takes up his job next week. This was news to Rothschild's, where Sproat is a consultant. They did not know he was planning to move.

On Genair's past form Sproat cannot expect an easy ride. The company is now suing its former joint managing director, Brian Huxford, and Humberside fraud squad is meanwhile investigating a Genair complaint relating to its takeover of Eastern Airlines in 1982. Allen refused to discuss the airline's application to the CAA to fly to Europe's "third category" airports. We can't let our competitors know that." And I thought Sproat was a free-for-all man.

There's no hoofer like an old hoofer. When the Rodgers and Hart musical On Your Toes, starring Natalia Makarova, opens in London next month, George Abbott, its director, will be 96.

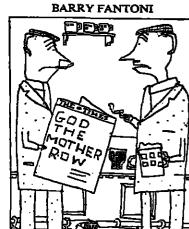
On the cards

As fears grow that breaches of confidentiality will result from the controversial Data Protection Bill, John Patten, Health and Social Security Under-Secretary, could perhaps learn of the danger from his

Mrs Patten, marketing director of Petroleum Charge Card and Retail Credit Card, made a gaffe when monitoring the credit-worthiness of a potential customer on her computer while he was in her office the other day. "It was most embarrassing", says Mrs Patten, in an interview in Harpers and Queen. "His name popped up - OK; his wife's popped up - and there was a string of debts ... raincoats from Burberry's and so on. He didn't know about it, and was furious. Now we run a discreet check first."

Weeded out

The Arts Council's The Glory of the Garden concludes that "The British garden of the arts has great beauties...but there are empty beds and neglected shrubberies. Heading the list of drama companies axed by the Council is the Horseshoe Theatre Company, whose address is The Shrubbery, Cliddesden Road. Basingstoke. The company is now considering a proposal to change the name of its building to The Neglected Shrubbery.



'Well, it's certainly the case

Home and dome

So much for Buckingham Palace; the Duke of Edinburgh has picked the Kremlin as one of his 10 favourite buildings. He was taking part in an Illustrated London News survey of the personal hit parades of 58 worthies interested in architecture. The building to get most mentions is much nearer home: Durham Cathedral.

Doing the rounds

Could Simon Jenkins have got the Whitehall mandarins worried with his recent Radio 4 series about the state of the Foreign Office? Tran-scripts of all his With Respect. .1mbassador broadcasts are being despatched to every major British

Detenestration

Sir Terence Conran chastised me for "aiding and abetting" the Thirties Society by reporting their indignation at his plans to rip out the unusual curved windows from Heal's. Yesterday Camden's planning department refused him permission to carry out this act of vandalism. (The Habitat/Mothercare king wanted to install flat ones. similar to the ones in situ in 1916, so that his wares could be seen more clearly). Scarcely had I put down the phone when an invitation arrived asking me to Conran's opening of the revamped Heal's next month. Strange. It bore a drawing of the building complete with his proposed flat windows. Presumptuous? No, they said, artistic licence. Meanwhile the Thirties Society is wondering whether the battle has cost them a casualty. Stephen Bayley, a founder member, has resigned for "one reason and another". He is, of course, director of the Boilerhouse gallery at the Victoria & Albert Museum, of which Sir Terence

Conran is a trustee.

Alan Hamilton looks at the small print in the Observer wrangle

Is it all just a Tiny ruse?

Mr Robert Maxwell and Mr Tiny Rowland both belong to that coterie of eccentric millionaires, sharp businessmen all, who suffer from an illogical, inexplicable, incurable, and financially hazardous desire to own a national newspaper.

The two men share, besides this curious quirk, a foreign background and a change of name; Maxwell was born Hoch in Czechoslovakia, and Rowland began life in India as Fuhrop, the son of a German merchant and an English mother. Rowland had a specific love affair with The Observer because he was so impressed by its standing in Africa; Maxwell, on the other hand, has been a suitor at every major Fleet Street match of the last few years, but has never become the bride-

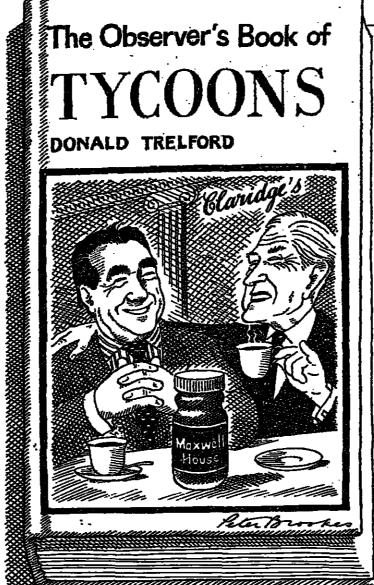
In 1968 Maxwell tried to buy the News Of The World from the Carr family, but the Carrs called in Rupert Murdoch, who defeated Maxwell's bid. When the Thomson Organisation put Times Newspapers up for sale in 1981, Maxwell was the first to declare an interest, but again he was outbid by Murdoch and retired disappointed.

His one successful attempt at owning a daily newspaper ended in tears after the briefest of honey-moons; when the Express group abandoned publishing in Glasgow and the workforce formed a cooperative to take over the plant and produce their own Scottish Daily News. Maxwell sailed into view flying the ensign of a benefactor, pumped in £114,000, and took control. He was driven out when the workforce objected to the degree of control he was assuming, which conflicted with their cooperative principles. The paper died soon afterwards.

It was significant that, after his breakfast-table flirtation with Rowland on Tuesday, Maxwell let it be known that, should he gain control of The Observer, he would want the rules governing its editorial independence changed to take equal account of the interests of the proprietor with those of the editor. Such a view is unlikely to impress the editor, Donald Trelford, the staff, or the Department of Trade.

Maxwell appears to have no particular friend at court in The Observer's relatively modest office at Blackfriars, although a number of journalists and senior management are now saying that anybody would be better than Rowland. The dissident lobby, which at present has thrown up no identifiable leader, dislikes the Lonrho proprietorship on a number of counts.

Some members of management to the way Rowland intervened in pay negotiations with printers in The Observer's machine room; they had resolved to make a stand against what they regarded as an excessive wage claim, but the machine men appealed over their heads, went



round to the Lourho headquarters in Rowland himself.

Many of the paper's 70 full-time journalists are also dismayed at instances of what they see as proprietorial interference, notably the demotion of the paper's business editor, William Keegan, from a regular weekly front-page column to the depths of the interior, which they claim was a Rowland-inspired order over the head of the editor. Rowland's curious appointment of an African employee of Lonrho to ated with daily papers which keep be the the paper's African editor also their presses occupied during the generated a fair measure of wrath.

quarters that Lonrho is not investing enough money in the newspaper, which is currently losing an esti-mated flm a year, and which in addition has had to bear a £150,000 loss from its recent sponsorship of the Prince Albert exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum.

Such a loss would be regarded as Cheapside, and won much of what mere peanuts - indeed almost a they were after from the hand of profit - in some Fleet Street publishing houses. But The Observer is a small-scale operation. Its total full-time staff, including management, journalists, compositors, and all other departments, is barely 500, augmented by a casual labour force of 400 part-time journalists, printers and publishing room staff on

Saturdays. Its real problem is overheads. Its two rivals. The Sunday Times and the Sunday Telegraph, are associweek. But The Observer's press There is also dismay in some room, which printed The Times until 1974, is idle for six days out of

> Were Maxwell to gain control, he could be expected to occupy those vastly expensive machines with a new London evening newspaper; the capital, which until 1960 had three evening titles, is down to one,

machines.

whether Rowland really wants to sell, or whether the public shouting match with Trelford over his Zimbabwe atrocities story is simply part of a plot to have a new and more successful editor. Trelford, irrespective of whether or not he is a good editor, is a strong believer in his own independence.

Richfield Oil.

from the script of Dallas.

Rowland's apparent disenchantment springs, not so much from The Observer, but from the fact that Lonrho is almost universally shunned by the major City financial institutions, and their view is likely to be reinforced in the impending Department of Trade report on the House of Fraser share deal, which City sources say will be highly

Whether Maxwell would be any

Maxwell, whatever his other failings, is a man of great bravery who was awarded the MC by Montgomery in 1945 for "leading his men in a counter-attack across bullet-swept ground with great dash and determination." In trying to buy the Observer he will at least find himself on familiar ground.

The Standard, which even in its monopoly position makes a substantial loss. Lourho has investigated just such a possibility, but came to the conclusion that it would lose them even more money.

Now the economic climate may be a little better, and Mr Clive Thornton, the new head of Mirror Group Newspapers, has been airing the possibility of an Evening Mirror printed on the Daily Mirror's

The crucial question, however, is

The Observer is very much Rowland's personal possession, and a number of his colleagues on the Lourho board think it quite illogical that a mining and trading company should own a newspaper at all, especially a loss-making one. Last year the chairman let it be known that he would like to be rid of it, but he was overruled by the paper's board, and by the main minority shareholder, its previous owner, Robert O. Anderson, of Atlantic-

Over another breakfast table in place, Anderson is said to have told Rowland that, if he sold, he would be ostracized not only by the British financial establishment but by the American as well. "You may think you're big, Tiny, but I'm bigger," Anderson announced in a line that could have come straight

critical of Lourho.

more acceptable as a proprietor is open to question; he is no friend of the print unions, although some Observer managers would welcome him for that very reason. Journalists are suspicious of him, because they assume he would be an interfering proprietor. If the paper really is for sale, Maxwell will almost certainly find himself in competition with the Fairfax newspaper group of Australia. which continues to express a behind-the-scenes interest in Britain's oldest national Sunday paper.

Ronald Butt With friends like

Scargill ... Mr Arthur Scargill is a ruthless them to power, but in practice they nize society and assist the birth of a socialist state. To this end he seeks to prove (using the strong arm of the miners' sectional interest) that the kind of politics for which the electorate twice voted when they

votes to the Social Democrats) will He needs to establish that it is possible to break the Government's so far successful policy of laying down clear limits to the supply of public money to nationalized indus-tries, and then letting their managements run them without government intervention by subsidizing pay claims or uneconomic pro-

sent Mrs Thatcher to Downing Street

(and transferred so many ex-Labour

Any hope he has of success must depend on whether other unions could be persuaded to challenge public opinion by making common cause with the miners' union. If the strike were to spread, the indus-trially tranquil life which has been one of the most valued by-products of the Thatcher period would at least temporarily be threatened and that, of course, involves some risk to the Government.

Yet the risk to Mr Kinnock and his colleagues is much greater since, in the end, this conflict may force them either to reveal more explicitly the kind of society they want (including the relative priority they give to socialism and democracy) or, more probably, to be seen so obviously avoiding doing so as to destroy their own credibility. For generations, the Labour Party has been a house divided but has more or less managed to avoid facing the truth about itself, and the question is only how much longer it can do so.

Put simply, the fundamental issue is whether we are to live in a free economy and society, with the government providing the (noninflationary) conditions in which personal and commercial freedom can produce the wealth needed to pay for a sufficient standard of welfare for all - or whether it is to be a socialized state in which jobs are preserved by bureaucratic fiat, even when there is no economic market for what they produce; in which demand is engineered by borrowing of a kind that can lead only to inflation and the destruction of real value; in which private decisions are subordinated to bureaucratic.

reverence to socialism for rhetorical purposes, but its leaders in office have in practice retreated from it. They have done so, first, because faced with the reality as distinct from the theory, and looking at socialism where it operates, they have recoiled from its consequences.

In the past, Labour has paid

Secondly, they know that, given a free choice, the people will not vote for it. Labour leaders have employed the rhetoric which they deemed necessary to control the leviathan party machine they need to carry

try to preserve a mixed society. That is why Ramsay Macdonald chose capitalist rather than socialist measures, or resignation, to resolve the economic crisis facing him; it is? why Attlee (after creating a welfare n state broadly acceptable to most political opinion in its principles, if not all its details, and nationalizing some declining industries, settled for a mixed economy.

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It is why Gaitskell fought to expunge the commitment to total! socialism from the party's consti-12 tution and why Harold Wilsonia fought to turn Labour into (de facto)); a social democratic party.,

The inexorable advance of the left " has now brought to the leadership an decent man of the legitimate left, Mr [Neil Kinnock, who can welcome neither Mr Scargill's ends nor his chosen means. The only escape Mr Kinnock and his colleagues have found from their dilemma is to: accuse Mrs Thatcher of smashing the old consensus, of bringing in hard-faced Thatcherism which precipitated hard-elbowing Scargillism,

That is not the case. Thatcherism came into existence because the "Scargillites" of the Sixties and Seventies gradually broke the consensus for which Gaitskell, George Brown and Wilson a (in their different ways) had striven il It was the unions "Scargillism" that q destroyed the idea of a voluntarily planned economy and pay structure; that destroyed Wilson's attempt to capture and keep what was called the centre ground of politics.

The final triumph of Seventles ? Scargillism (it was usually called it Bennism at the time) was the revolution in the Labour Party's constitution, the abolition of the list 6 of extremist organizations pro-, scribed for Labour Party members, and the winter of discontent with which the unions destroyed Mr Callaghan's government as they had destroyed Mr Heath's.

What alternative was then left o except to try to make capitalism and 🤊 a free society work in their own; terms (while preserving the basic | guarantees of the welfare state) which is what Thatcherism amounts to? There was that, or there was the E revolutionary socialism which was the aim of the Bennites and the Militants and is now the purpose of a Mr Scargill's spearhead. In practice, if the official Labour Party could offer it no convincing alternative of its own, a which is why the Social Democrats. have tried to create a party. that could operate as an alternative to the Torics within a national consensus of basic principles, as the old Labour Party did. How can it be b seriously suggested that this govern-ment, could have gone down the:! Heath-Callaghan road to disaster?

Whoever, or whatever party, it was which destroyed the consensus a that Mr Kinnock and his friends; now bewail, it was certainly not Mrs

Russell Baker

Kick the habit, not: the addict

Although pathetically addicted to from the rest of society. When they prove I had true grit, I decided to

It took a year to become a fullfledged non-smoker, by which I mean somebody who in the space of five minutes can hear that a favourite aunt has died, that he is about to be fired and that he has to have all his teeth removed, without feeling an urge for a cigarette.

After a year of struggle, I reached that stage and lived at it for the next four. Jumbo engines failed at 15,000ft, blackmailers threatened to destroy me, governments pirated my pitiul savings in lightning raids, yet not once in all those four years did I feel the faintest urge for a cigarette. The agony of breaking tobacco

addiction is highly overstated. For the first couple of weeks, to be sure, life was almost unendurable, but thereafter the problem was mostly a matter of concentration, for quitting cigarettes is a full-time job. If you think about not smoking to the exclusion of almost everything else for at least six months, you are almost certain to succeed. Breaking the habit is, obviously,

no job for people who have other work to do. The best way to accomplish it is to stop all other activity for six months and do nothing else but quit smoking. In the second six months, if my experience is any guide, you can do a modest amount of your usual wage-earning labour, attend three or four mild social occasions and resume a few low-pressure relationships with your family.

I am mentioning all this out of pride - not pride in defeating the addiction, but pride in the way I conducted myself afterwards. In my four years as a non-smoker, I never once abused an unregenerate smoker for not following my example. Not once did I try to make some

poor smoky wretch despair by gloating that my purified lungs and detoxified innards would assure me of the opportunity to say "I told you so" when he went prematurely to the grave. In bars and restaurants, helpless

addicts blew gales of smoke around my head, yet I felt no urge to scowl at them, or make a scene, or complain to the head waiter or bartender that their stupid self-abuse was dulling my palate or ruining my capacity to distinguish between the fine Pilsener and the coarse, gassy

Nor did I press politicians for apartheid laws to isolate smokers

cigarettes. I once gave them up for came to my house. I provided five years. It was a question of character. Anybody who couldn't smoke in the backyard. I didn't even whip the cigarette habit, I thought, object when one of my children ought to be ashamed of himself. To proposed to marry a pack-a-day smoker.

My tolerance in retrospect seems " saintlike now that we are in the age ; of the militant non-smoker, whose aim seems to be to make life more hellish than it already is for the addict. I was not motivated by ambition for sainthood, though. It was a simple case of sympathy for people less fortunate than I.

Even by that time, of course, " almost everybody acknowledged if that smoking was a health evil as well as a social nuisance. Many smokers, I assumed, seriously wished to be free of their curse but couldn't afford to spend six months

to a year undergoing the cure. Abusing these miserable people would have been like taunting paupers for not being rich enough to devote a year to tending to their own bodies. This is basically what today's militant non-smokers are up to. Of all life's unfortunates, the smoker is the last whose abuser can enjoy a sense of superiority refined by selfrighteousness.

It is curious that a society sympathetic to addictions of every other kind can spare none for the tobacco junkie. The cruelty of the medical people is even stranger. Are they at work on a miracle cure !:

that will help the smoker overcome a his habit over a weekend? If so, they keep mum about it, but not about much else that concerns smoking. With their incessant statistics, their main goal appears to be to drive the addic: into severe depression 6 because he cannot afford the time ! and money to cure himself. Better they should do nothing than darken the spirits of the afflicted.

I speak with some prejudice here, n having rejoined the ranks of the smokers after my live-year experiment. It was a failure of character. One evening to show how comtobacco bondage, I smoked a cigarette to instruct a friend on the case with which I could now take 'em or leave 'em alone. Such is the evil of pride.

Before the night was out, I had

smoked six more. The next day, a whole pack. That was several years " ago. I keep meaning to quit again, " and certainly will, as soon a I get a year free to do it. In the meantime I . try to stay out of circulation, avoiding public places almost. entirely now, I would hate the militant non-smokers to get me

before the eigarettes do.

They buried Khadija Abbas Atwi in the rough grass cemetery above Jibchit, not far from the crumbling road where she bled to death last month. Her gravestone is explicit about what happened, although it does not tell the whole story. "This is the grave of the holy warrior martyr Khadija Abbas Atwi", it who fell in confrontation with the Zionist enemy during the invasion of the village. Died March 28, 1984, Khadija's mother keeps a framed portrait of her 18-year-old daughter,

a tall, well-built girl in a pink scarf, who stares uneasily into the camera. Her father is a broken man. "How do you want me to feel when I come

into the house and find three of my children shot, one of my girls dead?", he asks. "I have no mind There are other parents like him in Jibchit, and there are villagers, too, whose minds, far from being vacant, are now filled with hatred. For Jibchit is fast becoming a Lebanese tragedy, a tiny mirror image of all that has happened to the country in the past two years, a place of suspicion and latent violence, an example of how occupation con-

taminates both the occupiers and the

occupied. There are no heroes or

heroines in the story of Jibchit, despite Khadija's gravestone, and there will be no victors. Jibchit is a pretty little Shia Muslim village that sits rather pompously across two hills 12 miles from the sea - a place of straggling vines and old trees that clamber from behind cheap, green-painted breeze block garden walls. The girls of the village all wear head scarves except for its one Christian Maronite woman teacher who walks to school each day with her red hair over her shoulders - and most of the

young men are bearded. The 8,000 people of Jibchit grow tobacco and olives for a living, and each Friday pray at the Husseiniya mosque on top of one of the two hills, listening to Shaikh Abdul Karim Obeid talking about the UN Security Council and the Israeli soldiers whom they are all supposed

to hate. "Any Muslim who leaves Islam will die", the young, slightly portly shaikh told his congregation last week, and there was much murmuring of consent. For Jibchit is a fastness of rural poverty where religion has radicalized the young because politics has failed. It is the sort of place that the Israelis would do well to keep away from. And, in a sense, that is what they did on

March 28. It was presumably meant to be a routine Israeli search operation. Everyone, including the Israelis, agree that among the first armed men to enter the village were Lebanese militiamen belonging to the Israeli-sponsored "South Leba-

non Army".

Hassan Fahas, a builder's labourer, who lives just off the main road through the village, woke at around 3.30 in the morning, "Jibchit was surrounded", he says. "There were

After the soldiers come and go, Robert Fisk visits a Lebanese village in mourning

Stones v bullets: now Jibchit nurses its hate



Occupiers and occupied: both are contaminated

lights and Israeli helicopters near us. went to the balcony, and that is when I was shot. I did not see who fired. I turned away and the bullet hit me in the back of the elbow."

Mohamed Atwi and his two sisters Khadija and Fatma, heard the sound of the shooting at dawn. Mohamed Atwi says that when he left the family's house, he saw Israeli troops in the street. We had stones and threw them

at the soldiers. They started shooting. Khadija was shot in front of me. I bent to pick her up and then I was shot. They shot Fatma in the stomach and the bullet came out of Fatma survived but is still in

hospital in Sidon. "An Israeli doctor came to treat me when I was taken out of the village," Mohamed Atwi came to treat Khadija but she yelled at him, saying, 'You shoot at us and then you want to treat us'. "She was still conscious. There was a checkpoint outside the village

manned by militiamen and Israeli

soldiers. The checkpoint would not allow the wounded to leave the village. They kept me lying on the ground for four hours. Khadija bled until three in the afternoon. Then she died.

Hana Obeid was one of the luckier ones. She is 16 and lies in bed in a white gown and scarf, a small girl whose delicate features contrast oddly with her words. A cloth covers her neck. "When the Israelis came to the village, I went up to the mosque", she says. "I collected some stones on the way to throw at them. When I threw the first stones at the Israelis, a soldier fired between my feet. I ran down the road to the square. I stood in front of an Israeli vehicle and threw stones at the soldiers in it.

"Then the militiamen came ran away and tried to hide behind a wall with some other girls. But while I was running with my back to the militiamen, one of them shot me in the neck. I went down to the ground. Khadija was bleeding badly beside

soldiers had come to take our men. they had come to fight Islam. We have been taught in school and in the mosque to fight the Israelis. They are our enemy, and it is our duty to confront them. The Israelis are scared. They are afraid of There is no doubt that her mother has had something to do with this

Ask Hana Obeid why she threw stones and she replies: "Because the

attitude. "I was in front of my daughters, with as many stones as I could defend myself with," she says coldly. "Our faith is our weapon. If my daughters have to die for Islam,

Others died that day, though hardly for Islam. The villagers describe how Sobhieh Ali Akhtar, a mother of 10 children, was killed when she ran into the street from her home holding her skirt full of onions. The villagers believe that onions smeared on the eyes and nose prevents the effects of tear gas. According to eye witnesses, one of the militiamen thought Sobhieh Akhtar was holding a bomb, so he shot her in the head.

Haj Hassan Harb was also killed: he was an uncle of the previous Shaikh of Jibchit, Ragheb Harb, a fanatical prelate who dealt in used cars and anti-Jewish oratory. Rag-heb Harb was murdered in February by pro-Israeli militiamen, the villagers believe.

The Israelis still insist they never entered the village on March 28. But several witnesses say that an Israeli officer identifying himself as Cap-tain Zeid told them to hand over any weapons in their homes and that the soldiers searching their houses spoke in Hebrew, not Arabic. Certainly, the helicopters must have been Israeli. So too were the soldiers who interrogated up to 300 male villagers at a local school.

Major General Antoine Lahd, commander of the "South Lebanon Army", admits that his militia were involved but says the first shots were fired by villagers. "We discovered a quantity of arms and explosives. We shot back at the resistance." Asked how two women were killed, he replies: "There was shooting from all directions. Who knows?"

Both Lahd and the Israelis suspect that Jibchit is a centre of anti-Israeli guerrilla activity in southern Lebanon. The villagers, when pressed, agree that about 12 men wanted by the Israelis fled their homes when the soldiers entered the village on March 28. Yet the only specific evidence of an arms find - and it comes from the villagers, not Lahd was the discovery of four rifles, two of which had been buried in gardens by deserting members of Israel's own Lebanese militia.

"The Israelis claim that anyone who says 'Allah Akhar' (God is great) is a terrorist," says Hassan Fahas. "We should do whatever we can to resist them Khadija Atwi's grave lies beside those of Sobbieh Akhtar and Haj

Hassan Harb and Ragheb Harb. As American. things go, they are likely to have more companions soon.

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Mr Maxwell and

From the Chairman of the British

Printing & Communication Corpor-

ation plc
Sir, Your Finance and Industry

leader today (April 25) gives "Questions and answers" about my

"plans" for The Observer. It suggests

that, if my family company, Pergamon Press Ltd. acquires The

Observer, my family's interests could conflict with those of the minority

public shareholders of Pergamon's

subsidiary, BPCC.
This "conflict", it is suggested.

would arise from BPCC's present contract to print The Observer

colour magazine and would be

extended if it were to print the whole

would be more, and more prosper-ous. British newspapers if their

publishers contracted out their

printing and left that to the experts.

The publishers' skills lie elsewhere.

in editing, selling advertising space,

and promoting and distributing the

be exercised separately has been

demonstrated for many years by magazines like Radio Times and TV

Times and the Sunday colour

supplements; and more recently by

Reed International's decision to

have its women's magazines and

Farmers Weekly contract-printed by

BPCC, to the great delight of their

editorial staff and advertisers and to

the considerable benefit of Reed

of BPCC in 1981 and rescued it from

closure, it has been demonstrated

that effective management can make

printing in Britain profitable again.

BPCC, as printer, were to obtain

from Pergamon, as publisher, the contract to print *The Observer* newspaper, it would only do so on

realistic, arm's-length terms, which

would be fair to The Observer and profitable to BPCC.

that my interest in The Observer

arises solely because I see a printing

contract and/or a chance to put

theory into practice. Nevertheless I

am confident that, when and if this

situation arises, it will demonstrate

the validity of my belief and bring

benefits to all the parties involved -

to publisher, printer, advertiser, reader, employee and shareholder

ROBERT MAXWELL, Chairman,

British Printing & Communication

Sir, I write in support of the views expressed by Mr Roy Moxham in

It is surely professionally unac-

ceptable, and constitutionally outrageous, that the Attorney General,

and thus also the Lord Chief Justice

sitting in camera, should have been

denied access to evidence material

to the prosecution's case in the

to accommodate the rule of law

to the requirements of security. Furthermore, both the Lord Chief Justice and the Attorney are privy

councillors, and privy councillors

are recognized to be appropriate scrutineers of security matters

because of the oath sworn by them

That, of course, does not get round the problem of others present at treason trials in camera who

become privy to security matters

disclosed in evidence, apart from the

Perhaps the answer is simply to

swear all concerned under the

Official Secrets Act. Or is it the case

that this happens already but is not

reckoned good enough in the case of

matters of the highest security.

because the offence being prosecuted

demonstrates their ineffectiveness?

is one under the Acts and therefore

trial judge and the Attorney.

The object of a trial in camera is

Yours faithfully

Oxford.

April 25.

(April 19).

Bettanev trial.

in that capacity.

Yours faithfully,

Bull Lane.

April 19.

Near Ashford

MYLES GLOVER.

As from Buckhall Farm,

Corporation plc, Headington Hill Hall,

The Bettaney case

From Mr Myles Glover

It would be quite wrong to assume

(and these are very early days)

Since Pergamon acquired control

International's shareholders.

That these roles can successfully

papers.

It is my strong belief that there

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THE MATABELELAND ACCOUNT

The editorial independence of a newspaper means that the editor and his (or her) staff are free, within the law and the constraints of libel, to decide what is written in the paper. These decisions may be taken in the light of many different circumstances and in reaction to many different influences working on journalists, the editor and his staff together. So long as the ultimate response to those influences is made by journalists the concept of editorial independence remains intact.

Editorial independence, however, can rarely mean that cditors reach decisions without some recognition of the wider consequences of those decisions. A newspaper is a business like any other. It produces something for sale. Its contents must be of primary importance, of course, but the cost of production and the selling price of the product also determine the success or failure of the enterprise. It is not possible for journalists to ignore those facts unless they work for an enterprise which either has an impregnable monopoly or is the beneficiary of an inexhaustible subsidy. In newspapers, therefore, editorial independence is not an absolute indulgence to be exercised in defiance or ignorance of normal commercial considerations, where dwindling readers and mounting losses threaten a paper's very existence.

It follows that the journalistic decisions of editors whose papers are profitable inevitably command more respect from their commercial colleagues than those of editors whose papers make a loss. Though the editor and his staff must retain absolute journalistic control over the contents of the paper, that should not absolve the editor from the need to give an account for his decision to his company. Nor should mere profitability reduce that requirement for the editor's accountability, although it may favourably condition the climate in which an editor answers for his stewardship to commercial colleagues. There is thus a continuous dialogue between editorial and commercial, in which, though there are recognized to be autonomous so than the right of journalists to be solely responsible for their decisions about what to print jurisdiction must accounted for.

These principles are acknowledged to a greater or lesser degree by most newspapers in this country, though few com-

Twelve months ago Mr Le

Cheminant of the Treasury

called the pay claim lodged by

the civil service unions "utterly

unrealistic". Within weeks the

unions settled for a figure

noticeably in excess of the

expenditure plan provision. The

other day Mr Le Cheminant's

successor called the civil service

claim for 1984 "miles too high";

but now the signs point unmis-

takeably to an offer by the

Treasury above the 3 per cent

level announced with aplomb

last autumn. These, it might be

said, are the feints and flourishes

of purpose of Mrs Thatcher's

government - not so different

from its predecessors - in

handling the pay of its own

employees. After five years of

drama (the 1981 strike) and

painstaking inquiry (the Megaw

report, still on the shelf), issues

of principle are again submerged

in the detail of a deal over the

odds that were set out apparently

so clearly and immutably in the

expenditure white paper barely

the civil service, as for the rest of

the public sector, was "compara-

bility". This was the worm in the

apple that awaited ministers at

the end of the path up which

they were so expensively led by Professor Clegg in 1979. Not

only were comparisons costly -

and one reason for the failure of

expenditure control by the first

Thatcher government. What

sense did it make for a govern-

ment committed to de-manning graduates and trained specialists

The great cry of the 1970s for

They are also the uncertainties

of bargaining.

two months ago.

panies have enshrined them in formal procedures. Times Newspapers has a formal constitution which recognizes the editor's sole responsibility for the contents of this newspaper; so does The Observer. In both cases the company maintains independent national directors whose purpose is to guarantee that the constitution is respected as much by the editor as by the proprietor or other members of the manage-

The dispute between Mr Rowland, chairman of Lonhro, and the editor of The Observer about that paper's coverage of Zimbabwe was quite properly referred to the company's national directors. Their conclusions are that Mr Rowland, as proprietor, breached the constitution by interfering with the editor's right to decide what went into the paper. Mr Rowland actually denied that he interfered, though he certainly tried hard to influence the editor against publishing his article about Zimbabwe. He also denies that he argued that such an article would damage Lonrho's standing in Zimbabwe, but his whole sensitivity to the article, and Lonrho's wide business activities in Zimbabwe, suggest that one should not take that denial too seriously. Moreover Lonrho's special position in Zimbabwe, and the fact that Mr Rowland over their years in exile managed to bankroll many Zimbabwean political leaders, must account for his particular desire to arrange for his editor to visit Zimbabwe and speak to the right people.

The facts of this particular case, therefore, suggest that this is not an isolated incident in which Mr Rowland has suddenly discovered to Lonrho's cost that he could not dictate to The Observer over its coverage of Zimbabwe. It was clear to everybody at the time of Lonrho's acquisition of The Observer that Mr Rowland's particular brand of entrepreneurial dirigisme in Africa would sit uneasily with a newspaper whose reputation was partly founded on its reportage of African affairs. It is thus hard to believe that this disagreement has blown areas of jurisdiction - none more up out of the blue. Indeed the facts suggest that Mr Rowland's "interference" proprietorial preceded his talk with Mr Trelford two Saturdays ago, even if it has only now been brought to public attention by reference to the independent national directors.

How else does one explain, the

appointment as the Observer's resident correspondent in Zimbabwe, of Mr Matatu who is connected with the Zimbabwe government and was employed at the initiative of Mr Rowland? That appointment aroused grave misgivings among other journalists and even Mr Trelford. having appointed Mr Matatu. seems to have had so little confidence in his Zimbabwe correspondent that he kept him totally in the dark about his researches into Matabeleland atrocities, ostensibly, but hardly credibly, on the grounds of his

own protection. How else, moreover, can one explain Mr Rowland's arrangement for Mr Trelford to visit Zimbabwe, in association with fellow directors of Lonrho. unless he expected that Lonrho's corporate interests, which he subsequently felt had been prejudiced by Mr Trelford's

article, would be respected? At least one result of the publication of Mr Trelford's article is that these muddy waters have now been cleared. It is hard to believe that the vigour of Mr Rowland's action can have been provoked by a single episode of this kind, nor that such an episode calls for such an inappropriate response as a demand for the editor's removal, or the sale of the paper. If the ferocity of his attack is because he has only just woken up to the fact that he is not able to turn The Observer into a vehicle for Lonrho's manipulative operations in Africa, well and good. But, notwithstanding his mercurial temperament, the sharpness of Mr Rowland's reaction to the episode suggests that editor and proprietor have more than one disagreement behind them, perhaps over a wider range of operations and caused by the

paper's declining performance. Mr Trelford's behaviour in Zimbabwe also suggests a desire to bring matters to the boil, perhaps because he felt that his position was otherwise becoming untenable. Whether he foresaw that the consequence of going about it in that way might be to consign his paper to an unknown future or the tender mercies of Mr Robert Maxwell is another matter. In the light of Mr Maxwell's manoeuvres vesterday, which resulted in two printing unions being virtually for th contempt of court, it must remain to be seen whether Mr Trelford's journalistic colleagues at the Observer will ultimately applaud those consequences or regret them.

appear, in increasing number, to

be attracted elsewhere. The Civil

Service Commission's annual

report on recruitment might, in

one sense, be heartening. Per-

haps here are signs of a cultural

shift, a secular change in public

estimation of the merits of state

and private sector employment;

perhaps, at the margin, the best

and brightest are preferring jobs

in business, finance and manu-

facturing over posts in public

administration. But no one

should wish the state under-

staffed in its vital functions. The

signs are that to recruit and

retain accountants, statisticians

and engineers the state will have

That means some compara-

bility, to be sure; it means

differentials; it means the

the clerical and executive offic-

ers' unions to scoop the available

pool on behalf of the low paid

civil servants. These say it is

anomalous and inefficient that a

number of civil servants in the

manual and lower clerical eche-

lons should qualify for a social

benefit such as Family Income

Supplement on account of the

size of their pay packet. On the

contrary: it is no business of the

things are a little tighter. That

supplies a sure principle for

setting this year's civil service

pay claim firmly within the White Paper guidelines.

Treasury resisting the efforts of

to pay more.

OFF THE GUIDELINES AGAIN?

the state to erect private sector

pay as the norm for government employees? In the fullness of that

logic "pay research" (the pseudo-

science of civil service pay

comparisons) was abolished in

the absence of its grip. In

December it agreed to an exercise by the Office of Man-

power Economics aggregating

pay settlements in the private

sector - comparability resur-

rected. That study now lies on

the bargaining table, a beacon to

the unions. Negotiations are left

in a febrile condition. On one

side are those whose atavistic

enthusiasm for reducing the size

of the state (a laudable aim)

becomes a generalized contempt

for the state's servants. On the

other are those dewy-eyed com-

plainants about that ineffable

quality "civil service morale" -

this in a job which as well as

offering high degrees of intrinsic

satisfaction also offers security

and (sometimes too much)

guaranteed upwards advance-

The cleanest answer to what

should determine the remuner-

ation of the state's servants has

been given recently by Sir Keith

Joseph in the context of teachers'

pay: supply and demand. In

those terms, the publication

today of new figures for recruit-

ment to the civil service's senior

administrative and professional

posts indicates an insufficiency.

The government demands econ-

omists, lawyers, administrators

with managerial experience; the

But the Treasury evidently feit

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The bishop and Sinn Fein

THE TIMES THURSDAY APRIL 26 1984

From the Bishop of Down and

Sir. At a recent press conference, called by Sinn Fein in Belfast, it was said that Mr Adams, President of Sinn Fein and MP for West Belfast, was disappointed and sorry that I had declined to meet him in order to "commence a dialogue", in an effort "to seek ways to resolve the present conflict".

My letter to Mr Adams, which My letter to Mr Adams, which Sinn Fein released at that press conference, made it plain that I regard my role as a spiritual and moral one, not a political one. My later homily at the funeral of the murdered girl, Miss Mary Travers, was concerned with the moral evil of her murder and it addressed to those her murder and it addressed to those guilty an appeal to repent and seek God's forgiveness.

I most earnestly hoped that the killing of Mary Travers and the attempted killing of her father would surely lead at last to some indication of that "change of heart" on the part of the leaders of Sinn Fein for which I had pleaded in my letter to Mr Adams. Sadly, I find no indication of a change of heart in Sinn Fein's recent statement or in any of their utterances since my letter to Mr Adams of December 24 last,

Rather, my own position has been misrepresented by being placed by Sinn Fein in a political, rather than in a religious and moral context.

I wish therefore to repeat the

concluding paragraph of my letter to Mr Adams: Pope John Paul, in his latest message for Pope John Paul, in his latest message for peace, calls for a conversion, a change of heart, as a condition for peace. As pastor responsible for the spiritual welfare of the Catholics of Down and Connor, I shall not cease believing that this change of heart is possible and praying that it may harman

happen.

If I were to receive any indication that a meeting might help towards that result, I should be more than happy to meet you. This remains my position.

Yours faithfully, CAHAL B. DALY, Somerton Road April 24.

'Jesus: The Evidence' From Mr David W. Rolfe

Sir, I have been criticised most vehemently in your newspaper for the style of the television series on Channel Four, Jesus: The Evidence. I make no apology for using every available device, cliched or otherwise, to help illustrate an intrinsically dense subject which has remained for so long exclusive to those with the time and facility to study it for themselves rather than rely on traditional church teaching.

Aware of the problems, most professional" Christians today base their faith on much broader principles than belief in the historicity of the New Testament. Yet the public by and large still assume that and bodily resurrection are requirements for church membership.

The purpose of our series was to bring out in the open this division between clerical and lay beliefs. If the Church prefers to defend itself on the principles it upholds rather than the creeds it has inherited, let it say so openly. Who knows, it may an audience prepared to

reconsider joining.

Despite the fact that TV has previously attempted to tackle the subject, it has never before engendered the widespread debate on issues central to Christianity and religious belief in general which is now taking place.

Yours faithfully DAVID W. ROLFE, Producer/Director. Jesus: The Evidence, London Weekend Television, South Bank Television Centre, Kent House, Upper Ground, SE1.

Dignity in the pits

From Mr R. H. C. Gregory Sir, To claim that the letter of the Rev R. H. Marshall (April 21) was one-sided would be something of an understatement. Those miners who wish to work also have a right to do so without harassment from others.

The dignity of the miners who are on strike is in danger of being sacrificed on the political altar, if the ections of a minority of their number continue in the present way. Yours faithfully, R. H. C GREGORY,

42 Gainsborough Road, N12. April 22.

Embassy outrage

From Mr Richard Gordon

Sir. The Home Secretary appears to

justify the decision to release the The danger is that subsequent state practice is often invoked as an murderer of WPC Fletcher, at least

> intended course of action. Yours faithfully. RICHARD GORDON, 2 Harcourt Buildings, Temple, EC4. April 24.

Brazilian elections From the Ambassador of Brazil

Sir, Today's *Times* (April 18) publishes an important editorial on the political situation in Brazil, under the title "Brazilians on the streets". Without wishing to enter into a discussion on points in the editorial which are open to in-terpretation, I would like to ask your attention to a statement which is factually incorrect. I refer to the affirmation contained in the editorial that "no Brazilian under the

The long view in foreign affairs

There are other instances, recent and latent, where the bill may be similarly heavy if the shadow of things to come is neglected for an immediate and often illusory statistical substance. Sir Anthony's candour, and abstention from selfjustifying hindsight, should encourage his colleagues and successors to combine innovation with the longer view also.

Yours faithfully, GEOFFREY JACKSON, 63b Cadogan Square, SW1. April 16.

From Mr S. L. Cowper-Coles Sir, Sir Anthony Parsons claims (feature, April 14) that it would be hard to identify physical monu-ments to the British presence in the Middle East and that traces of that presence are faintest in Egypt.

He forgets the great Nile irrigation works, of which the first Aswan Dam, built by Sir Benjamin Baker, the designer of the Forth Bridge, between 1898 and 1902, is the finest symbol. This vast system of canals and barrages, which is still used and which still bears in many places the legend "Ransomes of Ipswich", cast in iron, transformed the life of the Egyptian fellah.

Yours faithfully. SHERARD COWPER-COLES, 60 Kelmscott Road, SW11.

insolvency law change

trading priorities.

From Sir Geoffrey Jackson

Sir, Your excerpts (April 16) from Sir Anthony Parsons' forthcoming

Iranian memoirs confirm strikingly

Geoffrey Moorhouse's references to the same interlude in his book, The

Diplomats. I quoted them in my own Concorde Diplomacy - The Ambassador's Role in the World Today, adding that it was a pity that our Tehran Embassy had forsworn

"elegant reports" on village con-ditions which doubtless would have

given early warning of the shock-

confirms my own belief that British

diplomacy has overreacted to pressure, even to fashion. After a

series of virtual show trials, from the

Plowden report on, it has arguably applied itself to the motions of trade

promotion at the expense of the

political analysis and extrapolation

Sir Anthony himself was acutely

sensitive to the conspiratorial atmosphere of the Shah's Tehran

twilight; a good-humoured reference

to it on his return home was at once

picked up by the British press. It is

sad therefore that this perceptive-ness, supported by the misgivings of

his staff to which he so honourably

pays tribute, should have been

frustrated by a temporary downgrad-

ing of political intelligence as an

instrument of Britain's traditional

and continuing economic and

at which it had always excelled.

In this way Sir Anthony now

wave to come.

From the General Secretary of the National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers

Sir, Pleas from the Institute of Directors that competent company directors will be deterred from joining ailing companies if the Government legislates on its proposed reforms to insolvency laws (The Times, April 16) will fall on hollow ground among workers in the clothing industry.

My union's members will be incensed at the suggestion that the institute is hopeful of success in its attempt to change the Social Security Act 1975 to abolish the personal liability of directors of failed companies for unpaid National Insurance contributions. Thousands of clothing workers have, over the past couple of years, experienced very considerable difficulties and delays when seeking state benefits because companies they had previously been employed with went out of business owing large sums in unpaid income tax and National Insurance contributions, already deducted from their wages.

We have countless examples of fly-by-night company bosses engag-ing in this practice, which is effectively cheating their workpeople out of their entitlement to benefit. It has happened in Wales, in the Midlands, in Northern Ireland, in the North-west, and it is commonplace in the North-east. These very same characters pop up again a few days after the insolvency of one

while, our members - often mothers with young children - can wait for weeks or months without benefit after losing their jobs.

Rather than dispensing with existing legislation, the Government should be enforcing it more rigorously. After all, such legislation is not particularly harsh. Directors are only considered responsible if "knew, or reasonably could they have known" that payments have not been made to the Inland Revenue. In 1983 less than £1m in unpaid contributions has been recovered as a result.

The DHSS has not adequately used its power to recover these nonnavments. Consequently, employers are not deterred from using taxation and National Insurance deductions for trading and other purposes. In many cases this may keep the company in business for longer than would otherwise be the case, but in the clothing industry the standard and authenticity of company records and the extent to which one company is a supplier or customer of another company under the same ownership are generally such that it is not possible to say what actually

happens to this money.
Unfortunately, a relaxation in the law, as suggested by the Institute of Directors, would further encourage employers to engage in this type of

Yours sincerely, ALEC SMITH, General Secretary, National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers. 16 Charles Square, N1. April 17.

Teachers' pay claim

company heading another. Mean-

From Mr Michael Cole

Sir, Sir Keith Joseph suggests that the reason why teachers are so poorly paid is simply a reflection of supply and demand. Can we expect, therefore, that doctors' salaries will be reduced in view of the fact that so many qualified medics are now out of work? I think not.

The salaries of teachers are low because of their lack of industrial muscle. When they strike their employers rejoice since funds reserved for teachers' salaries can then be diverted elsewhere.

Unlike the work of the manufacturing industries, the work of teachers does not produce a saleable

power workers they are unable to hold the nation and government to ransom by threatening to cut off energy supplies.
So, Sir Keith is probably right, but

commodity, so who cares if teachers withhold their labour? Unlike the

those sections of the community without muscle ought reasonably to be able to expect their politicians to protect them from injustice. If not they might find that they have no need for politicians, which might bring about an unfortuante adjustment to Sir Keith's salary. Yours faithfully,

M. E. COLE, The Grange. Somerton, Somerset April 17.

Shylock revisited

From Ms Clare Devitt

Sir. As one of the "impressionable minds" to which Mr William Frankel referred in his article, Shylock: must we suffer this old infamy?" (April 17), I object to his claim that we are likely to be influenced by the malevolent stereotypes of a sixteenth-century playwright

Fortunately the youth of today is not quite as naive as Mr Frankel appears to be in his suggestion that the RSC's production of The Merchant of Venice is inciting or

reinforcing religious prejudice. Io suppose that the Stratford audience or even children in a classroom are prone to antisemitism because of an encounter with The Merchant is an

insult to the intelligence of both.

I saw and enjoyed Mr Ian McDiarmid's performance and, like him, believe that the modern audience does not "leave its mind at home" (The Times, April 9). Yours sincerely, CLARE DEVITT,

The Orchard, Nicker Hill. Stanton. Nottingham. April 17.

Unfair daffodils

From Mr R. Norton Ellen Sir, Re the letter of April 23, there are no such complaints from the Lake District. Perhaps Dr Croft should try

gazing at his daffodils from afar, or at a glance", instead of so critically staring at them from the window of his house, back and front. Or, perhaps, join them in sprightly dance, or, at any rate, do something to show them that he is "gay in such a jocund company".

This should meet with their approval, and may cause Dr Croft to think what wealth the show to him had brought. Yours faithfully

R. NORTON ELLEN. 35 Churchfields. Broxbourne, Hertfordshire.

From Mrs Peter Lockley

Sir, Mr Croft's daffodils are obviously reluctant to turn their faces to the walls of his house. Perhaps if he lined the said walls with some reflective material his flowers might reconsider. After all, they are narcissi! Yours faithfully, OLGA E. LOCKLEY. Gibstick Cottage, Winmerleigh, Preston, Lancashire. April 23.

Arts joint funding

From Lord March and Kinrara Sir, I share Lord Cudlipp's concern (April 4) about Arts Council policy that the desirability of joint funding with a proportionate contribution from local authorities is, in practice. steadily becoming an absolute condition of Arts Council and

regional arts association grant-aid. Even where grant-receiving bodies have been devolved to regional arts associations with their council subsidy intact there is no guarantee that all or part of these sums will not be rapidly reallocated by the associations in cases where these grant-aided hodies are not provided with substantial local authority

funds. Furthermore, due to the financial restrictions on local government expenditure at the present time, many authorities are finding it impossible to increase their giving to

On all these counts, notwithstanding the policy to increase the provision of council funds to the regions, some areas of Great Britain may quickly become cultural de-

However, the council states it will do all it can to develop business and other private sponsorship. Furthermore, the council's strategy docu-ment speaks of "issuing challenges to local communities to match its

funding, at least in part, whether from local authority resources or other locally-raised funds."

If that is really what the council means then, in those places where joint funding remains a highly desirable objective, should not grant-aid be measured against the contribution by the whole local community, that is, from business sponsors, charitable trusts and individuals, as well as from local authorities?

Yours faithfully. MARCH, Goodwood House. Chichester, West Sussex. April 9.

Government as employer to take in part, by resort to principles of international law and, in particular, a unilateral stand on low pay. For the executive and clerical to the so-called doctrine of "invioland manual jobs there is, the ability" Treasury says, a buoyant demand except in the capital where

It is true that the 1964 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations recognizes, by articles 22 and 29, the inviolability of diplomatic missions and agents. There is, however, no statement as to how far the principle extends or under which circumstances (if any) it is circum-

scribed. Mr Brittan seems, in any case, to have overlooked the more funda-mental provisions of the 1969 Tienna Convention on the Law of Treaties which is, for the most part, declaratory of existing customary

Article 60 thereof enables a party specially affected by another's material breach" of a multilateral treaty to invoke it as a ground for suspending the operation of the treaty in its relations with the defaulting state. A "material breach" is, inter alia, defined as the violation of a provision essential to the accomplishment of the object or purpose of the treaty".

Can there be any doubt that age of 40 has voted in a free Libya's recent conduct represents a election".

material breach or that this country is now entitled to suspend the operation of any Conventional obligations it might otherwise have had towards that state?

aid to treaty interpretation (see article 31 of the 1969 Convention). Merely ending diplomatic relations but taking no action against persons vho are guilty of criminal behaviour implies a particularly wide interpretation of "inviolability". Therein lies the weakness of the Government's

have always had elections in Brazil every four years, by secret popular direct ballot, to choose senators and deputies to the Federal Congress and representatives to the States' Assemblies (Brazil is a federation of states). The last elections we had of that

Now, it is well known that we

kind and also to choose the governors for 22 states of our federation, mayors, municipal and state representatives, took place in 1982, as it was fully and widely reported at the occasion by your prestigious newspaper. Incidentally, it should be noted

that no accusation of rigging or manipulation of the results of the elections has ever been suggested by the Opposition parties, which, as a matter of fact, have been increasing their representation in Congress and carried the election for governorship for 10 states, including the very important ones of Rio de Janeiro. São Paulo and Minas Gerais, which have now, consequently, governors from the Opposition parties.

It is thus totally wrong to say that no Brazilian under the age of 40 has voted in a free election."

Yours truly, MARIO GIBSON-BARBOZA, Brazilian Embassy, 32 Green Street, W.I.

Having been received by Her of England at Freenasons Figure Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the WC2.

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Forthcoming marriages

Priory. Essex, and of Mrs Tessa de Colonel. C P Vaughan, DSO. DL, and of Mrs Vaughan, of South Parade House, Ledbury, Hereford-

and Miss R. Baughen

The engagement is announced between Graham son of Mr and Mrs Alan Sopp, of Sunderland, and Rachel, daughter of the Right Rev

and Mrs C. M. Striberry
The engagement is announced
between Christopher, eklest son of the late Major D. Russell-Pavier and Mrs M. T. Scully, of Dorking.
Surrey, and Catriona, second
daughter of Hon C. A. R. and Lady
Miranda Emmet, of Halnaker, West

and Miss D E Lomas
The engagement is announced between Andrew John, son of Sir Oliver and Lady Popplewell, of Charridge, Buckinghamshire, and Debra Ellen, only daughter of Mand Mrs D M Lomas. of Chelmsford, Essex.

The engagement is announced RN and Mrs Wippell of Danbury Mrs R. J. Widdicombe, of Chelsea. London, and Bridget, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. J. Scanlon, of Hampstead, London.

Latest wills

Mr Peter David Markham, " Colemans Hatch, Sussex. David Markham, the actor, who was an active campaigner on behalf of dissidents in the Soviet Union and played an important part in the campaign for the release of Vladimir Bukovsky left estate valued at

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Plymouth College

Summer Term begins today at Plymouth College. S D Miller remains head of school. The inspection of the CCF takes place on Thursday, May 24. The inspecting officer is Vice-Admiral Sir David Brown. Term ends on Thursday, July 19.

St George's School, Ascot

April 30, 1984 and ends on Saturday, July 14, 1984. The head

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Sir Richard Buckley was in

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and Miss C. P. Sharp
The engagement is announced between Ohyer, son of the late Lord Henley and Nancy Lady Henley, and Caroline Patricia, daughter of Mrs McRoney, Oxfordshire.

Sir Tobias Clarke, Bi.

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Sir Tobias Clarke, Bi.

Sir Tobias Clarke, Bt.

and Miss T L A de Chair

The engagement is announced between Toby Clarke of The Church House. Bibury, Gloucestershire, and Teresa, daughter of Mr Somerset de Chair, of St Osyth's Priory, Essex, and of Mrs Tessa de Colonel C P Vaughan DSO DI

Mr R J P Honseman and Miss T M Murphy
The engagement is an acuncedbetween Robert eldest son of the late Mrs Rosemary Houseman and Mr John Houseman, of High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, and Teresa, daughter of Mr and Mrs Bernard Murphy, of Cardiff, South Glamorgan.

Mr A & Piercy and Miss S A Babat
The engagement is announced between Anthony Keith, son of Mr. and Mrs Richard Piercy, of and Mrs Richard Pietry of Weybridge, Surrey and Sharon Alese, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Babat, of Take Potest. Illmois, United States.

Mr R. L. Stewart Cox

and Miss M. C. Mitchell
The engagement is announced
between Rupert Lytelpon elder
son of Major-General and Mrs. A. C.

University news

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festival begin on Manday, July 9, T.S.G. Horrocks continues as head of school, S. A. Hemsley is captain of boats, and E. H. Castenskiold. captain of cricket. The appeal for the restoration on the main school building ha reached £556,000.

Haberdashers' Monmouth School for Girls

Summer Term begins lodey and ends July 13. The bead gift is Clare Ensor. The Haberdashers girls schools at Elstree and Hatchar visit us on Saturday, May 19, for competitive swimming and tennis. Half term will be from soon on

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Association
The inaugural dinner of the
Metropolitan Police Commanders'
Association took place at New Scotland Yard yesterday. The guest was the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, Sir Kenneth

Master, Mr Gerdon Reeves, and Wardens, Mr J. E. Borrett and Sir

Birthdays today

Science report

Radde of the yellow-bellied sea snake

toast of South America and from southern Siberia to Tasmania It is usually 25 to 30 inches long, and has a dark back and yellow and black belly.

Of the 50 sea sould species, the yellow belly is the only one that ventures out to sea. It criss-crosses the Pacific and Indian Oceans, fiding warm ocean currents. The snakes pretend to be sticks, luring small fish to their undersides for protection, inject them with venom and then swallow them

shale. Needs are then recently go from the state of the state of the scientists have been plying the Pacific coast in a small rail. Asian cobras and Australian tiger snakes, are a recent evolutionary phenomenon. The yellow-belly is not found in the

easily thrive in warm currents.

perhaps thereby arbiding the bents when it surfaces rapidly. The scientists track the snakes by fashioning a tiny harness out of foam and gluing it to a sonar device the size of a of the reptile. The frequency of the sonar

snakes could held us to develop artificial skin to help babies to stop the loss of water across delicate membranes. Researchers say it may also methods of extracting salt from sea water

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of the Penguin Education Club. Above all, he loved walking in the hills of the Lake

MRS MAXINE MILES

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Woodcut, engraver, costume designer, gardener, she had aiready made her antateur mark in these fields when her second marriage. To sthe late F. G.
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Mrs Maxine Frances Mary

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"Blossom" – who died aged 82 became the Sparrowjet, winner
on April 6 was a special whose of the King's Cup race 22 years
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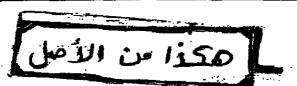
John Lee Mahin. who has and Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde died, at Sahia Monica, Los with Spencer Tracy. Broom Angeles, aged 82, was among. Town with Gable and Tracy. the group of young writers who Quo Vadis with Robert Taylor, formed the Screenwriters Guild North to Maskin with John in 1935. Wayne Naughty Mariena with From 1932, when he wrote Nelson Eddy and Jeannette Red Bust, a Clark Gable-lear MacDonald and Se Time for Harling marien the marient for the second s Robinson In 1958 the Writers' Guild

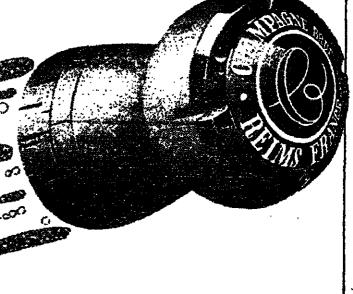
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THE ARTS

Theatre

Resolution of brilliance

Number One

Queen's

If this piece turns out to be Jean Anouilh's swan-song, as Bryan Appleyard suggested on this page last Monday, it will stand as a fitting last statement from the century's most theatrical playwright. In any other form, the story of Number One would he intolerable. On the stage, its misogynistic, self-centred obsessions become the pretext for a wonderfully ingenious game.

Leon Saint-Pé (shades of the crumbling hero of Walt of the been too many monologues and Toreadors) is an aging goutstricken playwright, striving to happening soon. keep at work in spite of a ban After the interval, Leon gets on alcohol and tobacco and the down to business and hatches a relentless stream of friends, relatives and artisans who ceaselessly invade his studio with demands for cash hand-

Leon, meanwhile, is battling with a comedy on the theme of egocentricity; and, even if you miss the clue of an opening speech written in the form of stage directions ("enter an aging playwright..."). it is soon manifestly clear that the play we are seeing is the play that he is

This means that he is cast both as master and slave: the creator of the other characters and also their victim. And it is the particular genius of Anouilh

Down and Out in Paris and London Gate, Latchmere

Lou Stein staked his claim to adaptations on stage are more enjoyable if you have not read the original, which perhaps does friend. not say much for them. If you have, you look for exceptional tlair and freshness of approach, realization of the characters a novelist draws; but that seldom

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tions; most obviously by switching like a master conjurer between theatrical fact and illusion (so that Leon will turn to the house for sympathy when someone remarks that nobody iikes him).

Simultaneously, Leon keeps up a running commentary on his own life and on the progress of the action, hurling impre-cations against his grandfather for thoughtlessly picking up the maladies which he has inherited and deciding that there have something had better start

plot to revenge himself upon his tormentors by putting them at each others' mercy. At that point, the play takes on a new interest. Hitherto, Leon the writer has had everything his own way and has shown up his family and friends as a pack of vain, grasping, heartless para-sites. Once he entrusts the events to them, they start

fighting back. His estranged wife totters home, determined to die in the family bed. His cadging novelist friend (Joe Melia) carries off the Prix Goncourt. Summoning "the cuckold" with a little bell, Leon gloatingly breaks the news of his daughter's infidelity to his

sweaty Paris kitchens and foul toes beneath. The best London doss-houses, as the sequences use the whole comnovelist describes it - fluidly and economically on stage. Antony Higginson and Simon Roberts, as Orwell's older and younger self, divide the authothis book by directing the Paris half in 1979, and this Orwell wear he completes it. Most book jobs or meets a humbling variety of hoboes in between hand-outs from a prosperous

Mr Stein relishes the technical challenges for their own sake and his designer, Norman perhaps with the bonus of rich Coates, provides screens that transparently reveal a grim brick street, or the Paris laundry above which pseudo-Commu-It is easy, though effective up nists draw subscriptions, and in a point, to put a narrative - then blank out to show only a in this case Orwell's sojourn in line of dossers' busily-picked

natives puffing at cigarettes as they kill each other, did exactly

that) as proclaiming by stealth

the absence of any real reason

advertising of all products with

unhealthy side-effects was banned, there would hardly be

ing the intelligence of the Australian public and its ability

to "decode" the advertisements;

and, when it is suggested that the cigarette manufacturers are

"riding roughshod over the

health of Australians", they are

dangerously over-stating their case. People who smoke are

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It also remains an evident

to resolve that apparently stuffed-shirt son-in-law, only to hopeless contradiction. He find himself confronting a tackles it from several direc- haughty aristocrat who takes the news in his stride. "I'd have thought that scepe would have been funnier. Leon remarks plaintively. As it is, it belongs to the superb, robot-voiced Peter Blythe, who enunciates punning lines like "I don't want to lose this start I've got" without

turning a hair. Leo McKern's Leon, vastly bandaged and hobbling over Sue Plummer's attic studio like a wounded sea-lion, trumpeting exasperation and moments of triumph with a force that has you waiting for a terminal heart-attack, brings a quality of emotional generosity to the part which adds to the appeal of Michael Frayn's wittily cold-blooded translation.

McKern obscures the fact that Leon, as written, is as malignant as he is soft-centred. And it is Robert Chetwyn's production that takes on the task of presenting the other characters through the eyes of "the old farce-monger", through caricatured waxwork groupings and grotesque portraits of female vindictiveness and greed. Shirley Cassedy and Margaret. Whiting excel in those; not forgetting Anthony Sharp in the obligatory role of a Molièresque sawbones.

Irving Wardle

pany: screaming and colliding in a flurry of order-dockets and a hysteria of bells as young George copes with plate-wash-ing and spud-bashing, or as the resident cast of a neighbourhood bistro getting sadly drunk on their one night off.

Much more likable than

Orwell's narrator, Mr Roberts moves through all this with Candide-like optimism. his eyes finally filling with tears for his victimized former colleagues. Supervising and commenting. Mr Higginson closely resembles the mature Orwell but with a smilingly well-bred, actorish delivery Orwell would have

Anthony Masters



Emotional generosity: Leo McKern (right) with Anthony Sharp

Concerts

icy approach to the piece. But no for the Fourth Symphony and Fourth Piano Concerto we were back to the full groaning complement of strings underpinned by eight basses, with Claudio Abbado drawing out their rounded resonances as if to compensate for the lack of Festival Hall echo. Pollini must be used to all this from the Vienna Philharmonic (which, however, manmore refinement) but I cannot understand why he should want

> The whole thrust of his playing, which in the Fourth with the music to be intellectual at the expense of full-blooded nassion. Her reading of Schubert's A minor Sonata, D537, for example, was clean and precise to the point of sterility. Even the charmed simplicity of the middle movement was lost;

it demands the nostalgia of an

adult looking back to idvliic

ment to a wonderfully eloquent into the keyboard with Stravins-Andante, is towards perfectly kian incisiveness, but then balanced chording and sublimely simple articulation; how he can feel that Andante's magical progressions so clearly with those elephantine orchestral unisons galumphing around

Pollini's playing can often be brittle: in the Fourth Concerto's off-beat accents fiercely, and created an astonishing vision from a cadenza which sounded more like Busoni than Beethoven, but turned out to be by the

The problem is that as yet she finale- was beautifully in its listeners in rather than reaching seems to prefer her involvement place, the performance lacked a

sense of urgency or stress. Miss Yeoh seemed slightly happier with the veiled, sombre, yet ripe mysticism of Scriabin's Sixth Sonata, which in her hands was aptly enigmatic, bubbling at its surface yet never reaching the point of eruption. Her evident and admirable disregard for extroversion suited even better Schumann's childhood days, but there was stited even better Schumann's no wise hindsight behind Miss Yeoh's innocence here. And, an intimate world of night-thoughts are not better schumann's household better s although every phrase of the thoughts, properly drawing her

Concerto opened out after a latter, rarely performed. The stiff, unrelenting first move-central trill in the Andante bit

faded with magical ease. For Abbado, on the other hand, everything had to be softedged: in the Fourth Symphony, even the sudden fortissimo chords were lunged into, the staccatos smoothed out, and the timpani seemed covered; in velvet. The performance was never lacking in energy and drive, but it had more force

out to them.

Stravinsky's Piane Rag Music lies at the opposite end of the musical spectrum. More like a distorted image in a hall of mirrors than the undisciplined rhapsody that Miss Yeoh's own programme note held it to be, the work was clearly relished by her. Certainly its brittle distortions, had more substance to them than Copland's soporifically gentle, and distinctly un-bluesy, Four Piario Blues.

Stephen Pettitt | in the sound-checks during an urally."

Dire Straits are a pop phenomenon of unusual sincerity: Richard Williams meets the group's star, Mark Knopfler (right)

Graceful strengths

By most of the yardsticks of pop music in 1984. Dire Straits are so conventional as to be practically invisible. No exotic novel, make a movie. dancing, no men in frocks, no million-dollar videograms grati-fying adolescent fantasies: unlike the preeners and the poseurs, the members of Dire Straits exude the simple, almost stolid, slightly dated aura of men getting on with a job of work.

The plain fact remains,

however, that nice girls continue to like Dire Straits, in very large numbers. The group may have had its origins, seven years ago, in the heavily masculine world of London's rock pubs, but something - some rare combination of strength and grace - in the songs, the voice and the superbly fluent guitar improvisations of Mark Knopfler caught the attention and the affection of intelligent womanhood, leading to sales for their four studio albums counted in the millions from Holland to Japan and from Canada to Australia.

Along with Sting, of The Police, Mark Knopfler is perhaps the last internationally successful British rock star to be produced by the era of the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. Reserved and reflective in manner, restrained in appearance, he is unrepresentative of his profession, and appears unchanged by several years of applause, adulation and appointments with accountants.

His own explanation for the group's popularity is delivered with a judicious deliberation and a pleasant lack of false modesty. "Somehow", he modesty. "Somehow", he muses, "it gets across to people that what is being done is honest and skilful. They realize that nobody is out there to make a quick-buck killing."

The group's latest manifestation is a recording - on disc, audio cassette and video tape ~ commemorating its last tour, which began in the final weeks of 1982 and ended seven months later after visits to Japan, Australia and New Zealand, Titled Alchemy, the recording both summarizes the group's development and offers

a convenient opportunty, according to Knopfler, for a fresh start in a new direction. He suspects that the process of physical growth - from the original impecunious quartet playing in pubs to the present technically sophisticated sevenpiece band performing in huge arenas - may be at an end. It was a process, he agrees, which found an unusually exact and

significant parallel in the devel-Nicholas Kenyon opment of his own songwriting record." techniques. Beginning with the songs of the third LP, Making Movies, he composed at the piano as well as with the guitar and, in

place of the simple linear found himself writing more formal verses and choruses. "The songs dictated the style of the arrangements", he says. "I song that I call the breakdown and when I got there I could feel began thinking more orchestrally." The culmination of that things that I wanted all the epic which was part of 1982's strange sense of one thing Love Over Gold. "I wrote it over following another, of elements a period of months, at the piano



American tour. I suppose I was trying to do everything all at once - compose a song, write a

"I'd never write a song like that now, although that sense of scale suited me at the time. Now I'd like to try something else. We can't go back to being a simple four-piece band. We've done the John. Paul. George and Ringo bit, and then we had the exhibitantion of adding the keyboards and all the synthesizers and discovering the extra dimension they could add to the music. What next? It could be acoustic guitars, or it could be brass instruments. I really don't know yet"

Typical of Knopfler's thoughtful approach was the subtle coup de theatre which closed each concert of the tour. As the final encore, the group played his gentle instrumental theme tune from Bill Forsyth's film Local Hero while the technicians came on stage to dismantle the equipment. One by one, the musicians slipped away into the night, leaving the audience to depart in a mood of

unusual serenity.

"A concert can be a very powerful experience", Knopfler says. "I've noticed in the past that people can be carried to such a pitch that they find themselves leaving a concert with their energy still buzzing and nowhere to take it. We deliberately chose to defuse that power to let people down

In such details, and in the lavishness of the amplification and lighting systems, the concerts certainly made a poignant contrast with the simplicity of presentation of the group's early days. "In order to sustain the performance over a couple of hours or more you have to make use of certain devices and effects". Knopfler observes. "For instance, we spent a lot of time on our lighting - but one evening we found ourselves playing in a Spanish bull-ring before dark, and everybody enjoyed it tremendously. It was comforting to know that we don't depend on the effects."

Knopfler's command of his craft has been broadened by his recent experience in the film world. His soundtrack for Local Hero was widely praised, and will be followed by music for Forsyth's next film, Comfort and Joy, and for a David Puttnam production titled Cal. directed by Pat O'Connor. "It's a chance to do instrumental music", he says, "and an opportunity to experiment with varieties of music that might not fit on to a Dire Straits

His enthusiasm returns when he speaks of the moments of inspiration which make songwriting a pleasure. "It's the moment when you know you're place of the simple linear really on to something. It structures of his early songs, he happened to me when I was writing 'Tunnel of Love'. There's a certain part of the approach can be found in instruments to do. When you Telegraph Road", a 14-minute get to that state, there's a falling into place quite nat-

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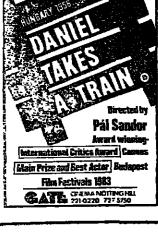
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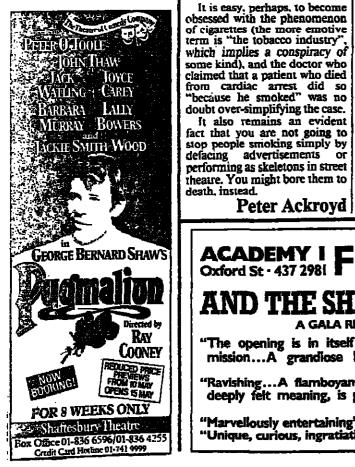
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A risk of obsession Festival Hall/Radio 3 Ficy, Good Looking (Channel 4) it excludes - individualism, was last night concerned with ruggedness, sexual attractive-

It was a relief, at the start of this sixth instalment in the LSO's. Beethoven cycle, to see the This represents a triumph of string section slimmed down to for acceptable images "to form over content and is thus promote the unacceptable". An the epitome of advertising itself eight first violins, eight seconds and a mere six cellos and four object enjoyed by many mil- a situation compounded in lions of people is "unaccept- the Sixties when, as the basses for Maurizio Pollini's account of the Second Piano Concerto. Would that it could able" only in a theoretical sense, connexion between cigarettes of course, but the point was and lung cancer was apparently have stayed thus for the rest of established, the advertising of the concert, for the gains in the fatal item became joky or clarity and sharpness were whimsical: not so much a case considerable, and aptly comproduct with the very qualities of laughing at death (although at plemented Pollini's somewhat least one cinema advertisement, portraving soldiers and African

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Yeoh Ean Mei Purcell Room

for promoting or even smoking Yeoh Ean Mei, the final performer featured in the Park By lucky chance, at least for those who like coherent evenings. Q.E.D. (BBC 1) examined The War of Words Down Under on the same subject. There are

Lane Group's "Young Artist at Six" series, is without doubt a greatly gifted pianist, blessed with a commanding technique and an impressive and tastefully now anti-smoking groups in applied control of tone, special Australia who believe that manufacturers should not be allowed to advertise cigarettes. qualities of many oriental artists (she comes from Malaysia). Yet her playing remains promising rather than remark-This might be construed as able. en assault upon the liberty of the advertisers - a laughable idea, perhaps, but, if the

Jasper Johns any advertising at all. More importantly, however, these groups might be underestimat-Greene Street, New York

> A Jasper Johns exhibition is always a notable event in New not been shown by his gallery for eight years, it becomes an occasion of major moment. Fourteen of Johns's recent paintings are at the Greene Street Gallery in SoHo. Together they make the biggest draw of the season for students, collectors and cognoscenti.

Arriving hot on the heels of Roy Lichtenstein's 96-foot mural which was painted on the wall of the same gallery (with the advertised objective of from cardiac arrest did so being erased at the end of the "because he smoked" was no show), the Johns canvases have the added bonus of being destined for permanent pos-itions in the grandest museums and greatest private collections. It is no secret that these works performing as skeletons in street | are among the most expensively theatre. You might bore them to priced canvases by any artist of Johns's generation

Peter Ackroyd In his 1976 exhibition Johns

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Galleries

not altogether, abstract works. The colourful lines of hatching. done as if in three dimensions, were almost universally received as a puzzling deviation in what had previously been perhaps the most brilliant career in American post-Fifties. This new exhibition will give

further pause for reflection. The work comes from the artist who, with his friend Robert Rauschenberg, was credited with fathering Pop as early as 1955 with American flag paintings, and later with targets and numbers - popular subjects rendered in rich layers of encaustic. Along with his sculptures - beer cans, 100thbrushes and electric light buffes done in Sculpmens! - Johns converted banal iconography into aesthetic classics. Now he seems to be off on

another tangent, with a group of works that depict a range of mysterious personal symbols and literary allusions as rich in private reference as any Pre. upon in Washington, D.C.
Raphaelite painting. The pictures are so overloaded with most painterly of the hidden meaning and messages that they sometimes droop with the weight of what they are forced to carry. Conceived in what can only be called a freeassociation manner, these per- and means: Many of the works sonal signs, anany in rude may be confused in compotrompel'oeil require the sort of sition or heavy-handed in

guru back to prominence. Racing Thoughts of 1983, the most beautiful and important painting in the exhibition, is thus seen to contain, depending on what you read, a set of genitalia or a set of bath taps: corduroy trousers or a bath towel; a reproduction of the Mona Lisa or a reference to

showed seven pictures of richly moustache-less Duchamp; a cross-hatched design - nearly, if portrait of Leo Castelli (owner of portrait of Leo Castelli (owner of the Greene Street Gallery) or a picture puzzle of the same; a skull and crossbones which is either a warning sign for falling ice or a memento mori. The most curious symbolic insertion in this work are two vases on a table: a white one, the outline of which has been discerned as a profile of Her Majesty the Queen on the left and Prince Philip on the right, and an "art" pot with a shamrock on its face. No one so far has dared connect these two objects with any political significance, but give them time. In another work, Perilous

Night of 1982, Johns reintroduces one of his favourite three-dimensional Mme Tussaud-type casts of an arm and hand that hang on the picture plane on real nails. where in other parts of the picture there are trompe-l'oeil nails and wood graining. Such effects are said to have been inspired by a nineteenth-century painter Johns happened

Johns had always been the most painterly of the Popartists, with his sensuous skins of encaustic, poetically defining his mundane subjects, and once again he proves his mastery of the sheer handling of material critical reading which has symbolism, even tiresome in brought many a forgotten art their abstruse coyness, but one thing cannot be denied: they are shamelessly "beautiful" in technique. Moreover, it is still evident, almost thirty years since he first appeared, that he can seriously disturb us with a cold detachment in content. frankly at odds with such

sensuous paint surface.



Racing Thoughts, the most important painting on show

Puppetry Hungarian State Sadler's Wells

To have puppets playing puppets sounds faintly incestuous, yet *Petrushka* is much the most successful item of four brought by the Hungarian State Puppet Theatre to Sadler's Wells on Tuesday. The puppers, often not much less than life-size and sometimes more, inhabit an inner stage - or, more strictly, a floorless space, since they are generally manipulated from below by puppeteers hidden behind high screens.

Artificial figures do not match the pathos brought by

leading roles in Petrushka, but the fairground setting of their this version, with improbable acrobats, an incredible tightrope walker, an impossible fire-eater, even a set of those Russian babushka dolls who lift away to reveal smaller versions of themselves which then join hands and dance.

Unfortunately, puppets cannot really dance, only mimic dancing. Hence the programme's one flop. The Miracu. lous Mandarin, where the music (recorded, all evening) cruelly exposes their limits by allowing time for expression they do not provide. Lucky matinée audi-ences will dodge this work.

Most of the programme is directed by Kato Szonyi and Mario Amaya human - performers .. to the designed by Ivan Koos. The one

exception is The Firebird, for which Vera Brody is director drama becomes more fun in and joint designer with Koos. Set to the suite from the ballet, this shows a similarly imaginative and colourful treatment, including clever use of projections and shadows but, in a more sentimental vein.

Only one of the works shown here is not an adaption of a stage ballet. Classical Symphony uses Prokofiev's music for a farce about a commedia dell'arte performance that goes wrong when a spectator's dog joins in. There are live actors, too, in that one: clearly the ensemble has no doctrinaire approach to its work. The season continues until May 5 as part of a puppet festival spread

over several theatres. John Percival

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

The snag in Britain's one-word solution

The City appears to be regarding the latesi turn of economic events in the United States with unconcern, even verging on complacency. On the one hand there are those who point to the recent, albeit tentative signs that the American economy may be slowing from the breakneck pace of recovery in the first quarter and the still moderate pace of inflation. In these circumstances, they argue, the Federal Reserve will not feel the need for a further tightening of the monetary screw. The pressure on interest rates will ease.

On the other hand there are those, now in the majority, who see higher interest rates as inevitable. Inflation is already pointing upward and the rapid drop in unemployment and swiftly rising capacity utilization presages significant pressure on prices over the coming year. Private credit demand has surged ahead, while federal borrowing needs remain at record levels and credible action by the President and Congress to curb the budget deficit has yet to be taken. If the Fed maintains a tight monetary stance, interest rates must rise.

This cetainly appears to be the consensus view of the US financial markets. The US bonds, which perked up a little on Tuesday after lower than expected inflation figures, sagged again yesterday as the key Federal Funds rate rose above 10 per cent, and the dollar, though taking a breather yesterday, has found an new lease of life.

The calm with which these events are viewed on this side of the Atlantic can be explained in one word - "decoupling". Britain, it is argued, need no longer slavishly follow American interest rates up and down. Its inflation performance is likely to be better, its fiscal stance is tighter and confidence in the dollar is waning. So Britain does not have to match American rates to stop funds leaving the

In fact, the "decoupling" process has been going on for some time: for the last eight years, according to an analysis published by Phillips & Drew, the brokers today. The differential between UK and US long rates, which peaked at more than five percentage points in the mid-1970s, has steadily narrowed since and reversed itself in 1982. The US bond yields are now more than two percentage points above British gilts, and this gap is likely to widen, later this year, the brokers predict.

Williams de Broe, another broker reaching a similar conclusion, expects British inflation next year to be almost 3 per cent below that in the US - for the first time in many years. ,

The snag, however, is the exchange rate. Some City voices are already expressing concern over sterling weakness - it has lost nearly 5 per cent in value over-the past six months - and its likely impact on inflation. The recent behaviour of the dollar does not suggest that the lure of higher interest rates has wholly faded. Letting the exchange rate take the strain becomes an increasingly risky strategy for a Chancellor determined to deliver on lower inflation.

It is possible, however, that the dollar's latest comeback will be a brief affair. The next set of US trade figures out tomorrow are likely to trigger fresh anxieties on problems of financing the yawning current account deficit, now widely expected to reach \$75 billion.

Unit trusts on a high

Unit trust sales hit a record last month: at £328m, they just surpassed January's peak figure of £327m. Net new investment for the month was £190m - a big improvement on the February figure of £144.6m.

But other events should preoccupy the hierarchy of the Unit Trust Association,

which seems dangerously ready to bury its head in the sand. "No one at all has indicated that they might resign from the Unit Trust Association commission agreement", affirmed Miss Audrey Head, the chairman of the UTA, yesterday. But on her own admission, neither she nor any other executives in the UTA hierearchy apparenly had any notion that Arbuthb not, which opted out of the UTA last month was about to resign.

The whole industry is waiting with bated breath to see whether the Inland Revenue will allow the controversial Arbuthnot scheme clearance, Arbuthnot has lumped its unit trusts under an umbrella scheme giving the unit trust investor the ability to switch between any one of its funds, while remaining within the same unit trust and most important, without incurring any capital gains tax liability. At least, that is the theory. It has not yet been tested in the courts.

In order to market the fund, Arbuthnot has been obliged to offer intermediaries annual renewal commission - a move specifically outlawed by the UTA, and the cause of Arbuthnot's precipitate departure from the association. Deprived of the initial commission normally earned on moving clients out of one unit trust into another, intermediaries had to be offered some palliative.

Miss Head keeps a brave face on things. We have had no requests yet to look at our commission scales." And on the Arbuthnot scheme: "I will be most surprised if other groups attempt to copy

That sounds like wishful thinking. "We are not looking to copy this scheme but you can get these things going pretty quickly" was the equivocal response from Mr Jeremy Edwards, of Henderson, one of the more alert investment groups. Competitors cannot afford to ignore the

Arbuthnot example - if it works.

The UTA will then be faced with two options - mass defections from the association, or a massive overhaul of its commission rules. It is not just the Arbuthnot scheme which is shaking the structure. Even Miss Head volunteered cautiously that she is expecting one or more members to put forward proposals for new commission on regular savings

Coming to terms with two nations

The trouble with regional policy, Mr Walter Goldsmith of the Institute of Directors said yesterday, is that it has not taken any account of the individual strengths and weaknesses of the regions. Industry and jobs have been diverte one region to another, often going reluctantly, without any thought as to whether this was a sensible strategy for the area, or whether there were other things besides subsidies and tax breaks - that could be done to make it more attractive for companies to move there of their own

Mr Goldsmith's point is given added force by some figures from the Employment Department on the likely expansion of the labour force in each region. While the number of people wanting work in Britain as a whole is expected to grow by 3 per cent in the decade to 1991, the labour force is expected to shrink in the North West and grow even more rapidly in East Anglia, the South West and the East Midlands.

This is mostly a result of demographic changes, reflecting the continuing division between the expanding, younger South and the declining, ageing North. Better surely to acknowledge and build on what is, than fight the trend in vain.

Wordplex plans for full quote

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Canada Development Corporation, though most of its

Mr Alan Dix, it to step down

in June next year as director general of the Motor Agents

Association. He will then be 63.

He had been in the job for nine years and he has spent 35

years in the industry, having been managing director of Volkswagen GB for four years,

with a later stint as marketing

director of British Leyland International during the 1970s.

annual report for 1983, yester-

day disclosed a new peak in car

trade business failures as the

business failure rate second

only to general retailing, Mr Dix

said. In England and Wales alone failures totalled 2,401 last

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The industry now had a

price war took its toll.

Mr Dix, in the association's

Wordplex Information Sys-tems, the manufacturer and year profit record has been chequered - even uninspiring. couipment and software, is planning a full listing by way of a tender offer.

But the directors are forecasting profits of £800.000 against a loss of £175,000 for the first half The company was set up in to the end of June, largely on 1976 and is entirely owned by the back of a 40 per cent sales

The offer at the minimum

NEWS IN BRIEF

MAA chief to leave

Hendon, North London, anestioned a last minute provision of £3m against deferred taxation in £9.5m to strengthen the sheet. Another balance company's accounts. £500,000 will be put in by Towergold, the investment company of Mr John Heywood was necessary because of the changes announced in the the chairman, giving it a 2 per cent stake plus options for Budget which reduced capital another 1.6 per cent.

tender price of 240p would raise £24.4m for CDC, which has put

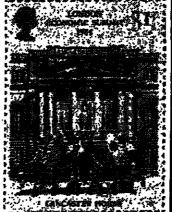
Recovery on disturbingly narrow base, says Gatt

But economic recovery, he said, was taking place on a disturbingly narrow base, with half of last year's trade growth being accounted for increased exports to the United

very clearly the vital role of the US as the leader of the recovery, it is one of the factors behind the mounting trade deficit which magnifies the protectionist pressures to which the Administration is now being

These pressures were trying to push a bilateral approach to trade at the expense of the multilateral system, he said.

The GATT estimates of world trade growth, given by Mr Dunkel in a speech in the United States, correspond with those of the International



Monetary Fund, which has predicted a 5.5 per cent expansion this year.

Barriers to remain, page 21

Skandia to take 29.9% of Goodison's broking firm

Sealink returns to

£6.4m net profit

Sealink, British Rail's cross- Sealink carried record numbers

Channel ferry and harbour of passengers and freight ve-subsidiary, which is soon to be privatized made a net profit of year, despite a flat tourist

is ready to take its place in the made an operating surplus of

cially viable enterprise with a loss the year before, while its good future". Mr Michael harbours made an operating Bosworth, the chairman, says in profit of £6.2m in its first year

£6.4m. Mr Bosworth says that is to complete the sale by July.

Taxmen switch sides

to give firms advice

By Our City Staff

Skandia, the Swedish in-surance group, is to take a 29.9 per cent stake in Quiter Goodison, the London stockbroking firm headed by Sir Nicholas Goodison, the Stock Exchange chairman.

This is the latest in the series

of deals giving outsiders inter-ests in stock market firms ahead of the planned abolition of fixed commission rates on securities transactions towards the end of

next year. However, Skandia is the first European concern to take a direct stake. Societé Generale, the State-owned French bank, announced last month that it was to invest in an international dealing operation jointly with Hambros Bank and the stockbroker Strauss Turnbull. Sir Nicholas said fast night:

MAM acts

to cut

star's claim

By Andrew Cornelius

Music, the pop management and entertainments company, is

to enlist the support of Mickie

Most, a leading record pro-

ducer, in an attempt to reduce

its potential £3m liability to Gilbert O'Sullivan, The singer

and composer, after a dispute

The Court of Appeal has

ruled that the dispute between MAM and Mr O'Sullivan,

which involves payments dating

back seven years, should be

decided by one of the four Official Referees in Britain, who

are appointed to arbitrate in

complicated disputes.

The court has ruled that

MAM has to pay Mr O'Sullivan

all the money it has retained over the years from his recording and music publishing

activities, less an allowance for

management fees, expenses and

reasonable profit to be decided by the Official Referee.

of MAM, said yesterday that he

had no idea what figure would

be finally agreed by the Official Referee, although he estimated

the maximum liability to the

company at £3m. He said the

MAM would call upon exper-

witnesses, including Mr Most, to explain how the business

differs from other businesses

and to give some idea of the

levels of profits, expenses and

royalties charged by other management and recording

Mr Mills said that he had

received no indication of when

the case will be heard by the

Official Referee and that is is

possible that no decision will be

made for several years. For this

reason. MAM has decided not

to make a provision against the case until it has a better idea of

the exact figures involved. But in a footnote to the company's

latest accounts for 1983, the

board suggests that the sum

eventually payable will be substantially less than £3m.

MAM's annual meeting in

which was included in the

MAM said that the provision

Shareholders

companies.

Mr Gordon Mills, chairman

over royalty payments.

Management Agency and

"We have known Skandia for about 12 years as clients of ours. We had other approaches, but it is easier to marry someone you have known for 12 years. We had a limited range of people in mind: we wanted an inter-national house with inter-national connections. We are not being swallowed up by a financial conglomerate. That was not our preferred option."

The investment is being devoted to injecting new capital into Quilter Goodison, but Sir Nicholas would not say how much. The 29.9 per cent is the maximum an outside party may hold in a stock market firm, although it is widely expected that this limit will be raised next year. Unlike other such deals, Skandia has not bought an option to increase its holding.

Figures confirm that Sealink

private sector as a "commer-

the report and accounts pub-

profit after interest, tax and a

£2.4m extraordinary item rep-

Two former tax inspectors

and a former value-added tax

fraud investigator have turned

the tables on former colleagues

by defending clients they would

formerly have prosecuted.

Mrs Jill Tracey and Mr Peter

Clare, who between them have

37 years' Inland Revenue service and Mr David Kelsey.

17 years with the Customs and Excise, are now a team giving

tax and VAT advice to small

The team was formed by Mr

Steven Manton, managing director of IRPC Legal and

Personnel Insurance Services, a

group which started offering a

problem solving service on

Mr Manton says: "There is a

widespread feeling among members of the business com-

munity that in dealing with the

offers advice on tax and VAT.

and medium-sized businesses.

of losses.

lished yesterday.

Quilter Goodison is a medium-to-large firm with 29 partners and 200 staff. On the basis of the previous deals. Skandia might be putting in between £5m and £10m. However, such estimates may

be drastically modified by the news yesterday that Barclays Bank is buying 29.9 per cent of Wedd Durlacher, one of the biggest stockjobbers, for only £6m. This was revealed by Sir Timothy Bevan, the chairman of Barclays, at the bank's yearly meeting in the City. He added that Barclays is lending Wedd another £23.9m.
On the face of it, this values

Wedd Durlacher's equity at only £20m, compared with market estimates of more than £100m. But Barclays may have to pay a premium when it raises

market and intense competition

£6.6m last year, against a £1m

About a dozen firms including European Ferries, P&O,

for Sealink since British Rail

tax authorities the odds are

He says that last year 70,000

thorough investigations were handled by the Inland Revenue

and 40,000 by the Customs and

IRPC offers a package of

advice and insurance in an

attempt to keep the tax bills

down. Mr Manton says that

since the scheme started the 15

settled cases by his team have saved £250,000 for clients in

employing up to 250 people.

stacked against them."

Sealink's shipping division

in the freight business.

intends, or there may be future payments related to performance. Barclays is also to take 5 per cent of de Zoete and Bevan, the stockbroker, also rising later

to 75 per cent.

The Skandia deal offers the possibility that Quilter Goodison may be able to reach new clients through the Swedish group's nerwork of branch offices throughout Europe. The two organizations plan to start an international dealership concentrating on European securities by the end of this year. Skandia also has operations in the US

Sir Nicholas pointed out that about half Quilter Goodison's bussiness derives from insti-tutional clients, both British

Midland's chairman under fire

criticized by the bank's share holders yesterday for the disastrous performance of the American subsidiary, Crocker

National Corp. Crocker has already reported on Tuesday with the resignation of the president of the banking subsidiary, Crocker National

Operating profit was up from ing European Ferries, P&O, £2.9m, to £12.8m and the net Trafalgar House, have expressed an interest in bidding Shareholders resented a £12.8m improve-ment on 1982's net loss of month. The Government's aim at Crocker.

Sir Donald said that the transfer from reserves to deal with deferred tax and the effect on profits of Crocker would reduce the bank's capital ratios, but that the ratios should remain at a level satisfactory to the Bank of England with the important free capital ratio above 4 per cent at the end of the vear.

Shareholders were also given a strong hint that dividends would be maintained despite the bank's problems. Sir Donald said: "We do not see any reason why current levels should not be maintained.

Insurance cover of up to £25,000 for professional fees, inleuding those charged by IRPC, in the event of an in depth revenue investigation is included in the price. The cost of the package to self-employed people and those companies with 10 employees, is £201, rising to £431 for those

By Jeremy Warner

Sir Donald Barron, chairman of Midland Bank, was severely

multi-million dollar losses and has undergone a managerial restructuring which continued Bank.

described Crocker as "a total disaster". A representative of the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union demanded an assurance that the remuneration of staff and pensioners in Britain would not be undermined by the situation

"Following the poor results for 1983, we gave our strong support and encouragement to the Crocker board to take steps to improve the management organization of the bank's not had any time to have any effect in the first quarter of 1984 but we believe they will have an increasingly beneficial effect in the remainder of the year.

on the raising and use of funds. A series of sessions has been designed to explain what the tax changes really mean and how businessmen, corporate treasurers, institutional and private investors should respond to get the best out of the new

opportunities created.

Detailed topics will include fund-raising by companies, new ways of paying employees and the options for private investors.

The Times

Budget

briefing

The Times is organizing on May 22 a one-day briefing on

the consequences for industry and for the personal investor of the far-reaching tax changes announced in the 1984 Budget.

The keynote speaker will be Mr John Moore, Financial.

Secretary to the Treasury, who has been closely involved with the Chancellor in the planning

of his corporate and personal

tax strategy,
Authoritative City specialists

will analyse the implications of the Budget for the decisions that

individuals and companies make

The conference as a whole is planned to concentrate on the practical issues involved in a wide range of post-Budget decisions that both companies and individuals will need to take in the new tax climate.

Details of the conference appear at the bottom of this page, with a coupon for those wishing to attend.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 Index: 1119.8 up 14.4 | F1-SE 100 Index:1119.8 up 14.4 | (day's high: 1121.0; low: 1112.4) | F7 Index: 887.6 up 11.4 | FT Gilts: 82.02 up 0.16 | F7 All Share: 527.79 up 5.35 | Bargains: 20,074 | New York: Dow Jones Industrial | Average: (latest) 1158.71 down

70kyo: Nikkel Dow Jones Index 10,866.34 up 104.52 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1082.72 up 12.70 Amsterdam: 171.1 up 1.0

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE Index 79.9 unchanged DM 3.7850 up 0.0075 FrF 11.61 up 0.0025 Yen 318.75 up 0.75

Index 128.6 unchanged DM 2.6810 unchanged NEW YORK LATEST Sterling \$1,4125 Dollar DM 2,6800 INTERNATIONAL ECU 20.591229

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates: Bank base rates 8 1/2 Finance houses base rate 9 1/2 Discount market loans week fixed 81/2-81/3 3 month interbank 81/4-81/18

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The Times 1984 Budget Briefing =

The Tax Strategy of the Budget Keynote address by John Moore MP Financial Secretary to the Treasury

The Government has produced a Budget which is forward looking and optimistic, designed to encourage business risk, investment and success. The Chancellor's corporate finance package, phasing out of first year capital allowances, tax concessions on executive share option schemes and other radical changes have far-reaching implications for firms and individuals. To help in making the right practical decisions in the new tax environment The Times has arranged a special conference where leading authorities will give detailed answers to three fundamental questions:

- How should funds be raised?
- Where should money be invested? How should income be received?

Chairman Kenneth Fleet, Executive Editor. The Times

Tim Congdon Partner, L. Messel and Co. Trevor J. Swete Director, Hill Samuel & Co. John Carrell Tax Partner, Stephenson Harwood Ian E. Hayes National Tax Partner, Armitage & Norton Mark Powell Director, Laing & Cruickshank

The briefing will be held at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, London, on Tuesday 22nd May 1984, the cost being £250 plus VAT. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Those wishing to attend are invited to complete the application form below and send it. together with the fee, payable to: The Times 1984 Budget Briefing Limited, Hazlitt House, 28 Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, London WC2A IAR.

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British tobacco subsidiary of American Brands Inc., believes its share of the British cigarette market increased from 32 per cent to 33 per cent in the first quarter of this year. Its profits rose from £30m to £36.9m in

year to December 31, 1983 of £1.2m (losses of £1.75m), and is planning to pay a final dividend of 3.5p, making a 1983 total of 5.25p (Ip). Farnings per share emerge at 13.9p, and gearing is down to 9 per cent, with net borrowings well below film.

Tempus, page 19 THOMSON TRAVEL, THE LEADING British holiday operator, increased its profits by almost one third from £32m to £42.3m last year. It expects record holiday sales this year but says intense competition means profits may be less than for 1983.

• FRANCIS INDUSTRIES has promised a profits forecast will be published tomorrow to bolster its defence against the unwanted bid from Suter.

London fixed (per ounce): am \$382.25 pm \$382.30 close \$382.50-383 (£271-271.50) New York (latest): \$392.75 Krugerrand* (per coin): \$394-395.50 (£279.25-280.25)

mic Correspondent

World trade grew by 2 per cent last year and is likely to exceed 5 per cent this year, Mr Arthur Dunkel, director general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, said yester-

While this demonstrated

subjected", Mr Dunkel said.



Economic Summit, to be attended by leaders of the Western world, will be celebrated with a special 31p stamp to be issued on June 5.

De Beers

🗖 he year 1983 was considerably better than 1982. However, the early promise of a return to normal conditions which I reported in my last statement was not fully realised and the market for the larger, better quality stones remained weak throughout the year.

The book value of our diamond stocks increased by R421.6 million (of which R223.4 million was due to the change in the Rand/Dollar exchange rate) to a total of R2,253.9 million. Measured in United States Dollars, the currency of sale, the increase was \$163 million to a total of \$1,852.3 million.

De Beers' profits, including its share of the retained profits of associated companies - but before our R5.7 million share in the extraordinary profits of associates — were R530.2 million or 147.4 cents per share, that is 20 per cent more than the R442.5 million



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earned the previous year. Excluding its share of the retained profits of associates, profits were R303.4 million or 84.3 cents per share compared with R202.5 million or 56.3 cents per share, an increase of 50 per cent. While the high level of stocks calls for a conservative distribution policy, in view of the substantially improved profits the Board decided that a small increase of 2.5 cents in the final dividend was justified, resulting in a total distribution of 40 cents per share against 37.5 cents in 1982.

Further signs of improving markets

Sales by the Central Selling Organisation (CSO) for the year at \$1,599 million were \$342 million or 27 per cent more than in 1982. Retail sales were also better than in either 1981 or 1982 and the Christmas trade in the United States was particularly good. The year 1984 has started well and there are now some signs of a shift in demand upwards from the small less expensive goods to medium quality diamonds. But while markets are generally better the demand for the large stones of good quality is nevertheless still restricted. Many of our customers suffered severe losses during the depression years and are naturally cautious about holding stocks of high quality goods, particularly at a time when real interest rates remain exceptionally high. Moreover the banks who were perhaps unduly ready to provide credit during the boom years are now being extremely careful in making advances. Stocks of diamonds in the cutting centres and bank indebtedness have been sharply reduced so that the trade is in a much better position from which it should be possible to expand the current level of business with safety.

The 50th anniversary for DTC

This year we celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the formation of The Diamond Producers Association and of The Diamond Trading Company. The organisation which was then created for the marketing of diamonds in a manner which would protect

Mr H. F. Oppenheimer's Statement for 1983

the interests of the whole industry has proved itself both in good times and bad. After the very severe test of the last few years the CSO finds itself in a strong position. There has never been a time during the period of more than fifty years that I have been in the diamond industry when the proportion of the total world rough diamond production marketed through the CSO was as high as it is today.

Our relations with the major producers outside the De Beers Group continue to be very good and it is generally appreciated that the willingness and ability of our organisation to hold large stocks through very difficult times has been and remains essential for the wellbeing of the whole industry. We are therefore in a good position to maintain a firm base for the rough diamond market while at the same time showing, to the extent compatible with our basic objective, flexibility in meeting the individual needs of our customers in order to help them to regain what has been lost and to move forward on a sound basis to a new level of prosperity.

Large stones - can only become rarer

The demand for the small, lower quality goods, is now at a high level and the trade as a whole can only be expanded through an increase in demand for larger sizes and better

therefore, can only become rarer and should increase in value. While the restricted demand for these qualities is an immediate and serious problem, it is one which,



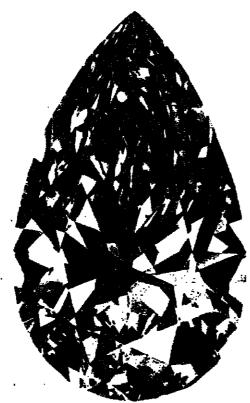
Brilliant cut

provided the CSO keeps a firm grip on the through, is bound to solve itself. I am not, should hold substantial stocks of these qualities and am indeed confident that, as

market in times such as we have been going therefore, unduly concerned that De Beers

Some of the ways we have shaped and strengthened the diamond industry.

qualities. This process has already begun but it will have to go much further before full prosperity can return to the industry. Our sales promotion this year will therefore give special emphasis to the upper end of the market. It is natural that this part of the trade should suffer more from the effects of general business recession and high interest rates than business in small sizes and lower



qualities, of which the greater part are used in the manufacture of comparatively inexpensive jewellery for which the market is naturally wider.

In the long run, however, there is good reason to have confidence in the attraction and value of the larger stones of high quality. While there have, in recent years, been a number of important new diamond discoveries, the great bulk of these new productions consists of below average quality stones. The production of the larger and more valuable diamonds comes mainly from the old established mines whose output is less than it was in the past and is continuing to decline. The large good quality diamonds.

has happened more than once in my experience, our present difficulties will eventually turn into important profit-making opportunities.

Industrial profits rise - in the face of strong competition

Conditions on the industrial side of the business improved considerably during 1983. This improvement was, however, concentrated in synthetics, though the volume of sales of natural industrial diamonds also increased. For the first time sales of synthetics exceeded \$100 million and the profitability of the Group's three diamond synthesis factories in South Africa, Ireland and Sweden, improved substantially. This was a considerable achievement since. in the face of strong competition, sales prices tended to decline over the years and the increased profits were attributable to the use of more economic synthesis processes and improved manpower utilisation.

The tendency for industrial demand to move increasingly to synthetics may become a problem when the large Argyle mine in Australia comes into full production, since this mine will be a particularly large producer of industrial qualities. It is an important task to work out plans to meet this marketing situation and the CSO is well placed to tackle it.

Diamond production from the mines of the Group, including Debswana which is owned in equal partnership with the Government of Botswana, totalled 21,349,522 carats, compared with 17,399,815 carats in 1982. The main reason for the increase was that the first full year's production, amounting to 5,852,998 carats from the Jwaneng mine exceeded the 1982 production from this source by 3,231,355 carats. Operations at this highly important new mine are going exceptionally well, both in respect of grade and recovery, and a further increase in production is expected in 1984. Production from the Kimberley Division mines rose by 964,766 carats to 6,127,947 carats, owing to a substantial increase from the Finsch mine, offset, to some extent, by a small decrease

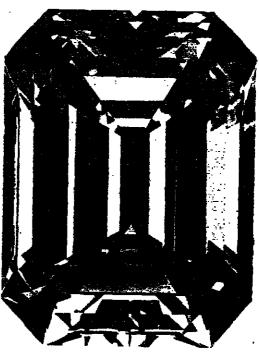
from the old Kimberley mines. At the other mines of the Group there was a small increase at the Premier mine and small decreases in Namaqualand, CDM and Orapa.

Prospecting continues

Expenditure by the Group on prospecting during the year was R41.4 million, a reduction of R1.8 million from last year. Work was continued in South and Central Africa, Australia and South America. It has unfortunately been found that the kimberlites on the farm Venetia in the Northern Transvaal, to which I referred in my last statement, are not viable in present economic circumstances. However, more work on these deposits is to be carried out.

Two prospecting concessions off the Namaqualand coast were granted to the Company during the year and preliminary investigation of these concessions is in progress. In South West Africa/Namibia intensive prospecting was continued with encouraging results along the north bank of the Orange River and in the old German mining areas south of Luderitz. Systematic sampling of the ocean floor off this coast was also continued. A special effort is being made in this whole area in the hope of being able to extend the life of the CDM deposits.

The Company, by contributions made to the Chairman's Fund for improved facilities for technical education and to the Urban Foundation, as well as through its own important training and development programmes for employees at all levels, is playing a significant part in improving the environment in which it works and in



providing employment and advancement opportunities to men and women of all races on equal terms. All this is being done in accordance with a continuing long-term policy and I can report that highly satisfactory progress was made during the year.

The value of our investments outside the diamond trade at 31st December 1983 amounted to R3,278 million. Income from these investments in 1983 amounted to R161.7 million, an increase of R12.7 million over the previous year. It is interesting to note that this income was well in excess of the cost of our ordinary dividends for the year.

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Capital & Counties in £33m plan

By Jonathan Clare

Capital & Counties' £33m plan for the redevelopment of a plan for the redevelopment of a shopping centre at Hanley has been accepted by Stoke-on-Trent city council against competition from 19 other property firms.

The centre on three levels, will include a department store, a market, a food court and a car

Capital & Counties has a high exposure to retailing properties. it recently completed The Ridings shopping centre at Wakefield, west Yorkshire. Although the institutions consider Captial & Counties retailing properties a bull point, the first half results disappointed the market and full year. recently completed The pointed the market and full year results to the end of March, are expected to be only marginally abead of last time's £7.7m.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

• LONDON AND SCOT-TISH MARINE OIL: Mr G. W. Searle says in his annual review that prospects for oil and gas prices now appear more favourable than a year ago. He says: "The price which we expect to obtain for UK gas encourages new developmets. It is the basis for optimism for the Audrey field development, and is an incentive for further exploration in the southern

• C. D. BRAMALL: The company has made a slow start to the year and accounts for first three months of year show figures a little down on same period last year, Mr D. C. A. Bramwall says in annual statement. However, he is optimistic that Ford car promotions and new models will improve the level of profitability.

• ARNCLIFFE HOLDINGS: Mr M. Cussins, refers, in his annual report to the decision to expand Arncliffe's building and sales of first-time buyer properties. This was subject to delays and last year's profit was not up to expectations. But the programme is now well advanced eight new sites have been acquired and a substantial number of dwellings are under

• JAMES FISHER AND SONS: the board looks forward to a substantial improvement in pretax profits in 1984.

GROUP JOHNSON CLEANERS: Mr J. L. Crockatt report that the current year has started well with results the advancings across the board throughout the day. The FT of last year. Complany is fallenged to possible acquisition canas. The FT see 1875 os 14.4 dates in the United States. FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Polly Peck merger terms likely soon

By Michael Clark

Terms of the long awaited merger of Mr Asil Nadir's three publicly quoted comapnies are expected to be announced next month - more than a year and a half after the proposals were first put to shareholders. Mr Nadir returned from an

overseas business trip yesterday to be greeted with a flurry of activity in all three share prices, adding to speculation that the details will be announced along with Poly Peck's half-year figures. Poly Peck ended the day

It looks like being another record-breaking year for Saatchi & Saatchi, the advertising agency which handles British Airways and the Conservative Party. The broker Jacobsen Townsley, which has been a firm fan of the shares for some time, reckons its earlier forecast of £15.5m for the year against £11m could well be exceeded and is looking for more than £19m in 1985. The shares lost 5p to 695p yesterday, but are still only 10p short of the year's high.

with a rise of 10p to 309p, after 314p, along with Wearwell 5p higher at 131p and Cornell Dresses 12p at 265p. Even associate companies of Polly Peck like Strong & Fisher, up 7p at 165p, reacted positively.

The merger would effectively create an international trading group with interests stretching from fruit produce, electronics and textiles to health care and car production valued at about

Mr Nadir has always insisted that the merger was needed to dispel criticism that he favoured one company against another when it came to various investment decisions. However, crisis after crisis took its toll of Polly Peck's share price, making the task of agreeing terms almost impossible.

Mr Mark Ellis, joint managing director of Polly Peck. refused to comment on speculation that the terms were imminent, but added: "We have been working very hard towards that objective".

The rest of the equity market responded well to the overnight rally on Wall Street with prices

The dollar aeld firm poind usually improved to although trading was more two-continentals, though the effective after Tuesday's strance, the strange strength level. The main acrors reflections are the strange of the strength level.

the glollar at a further gain of 12 points at the

Most of the FT constituents De Vere's shares exced any showed impressive gains. The exception was Thorn EMI losing 8p to 641p as a line of 250,000 shares was rumoured to have gone through the market. price indications offered by potential suitors. The warning succeeded in putting the brakes on renewed support with the price closing unchanged on the Distillers rose 4p to 290p day at 313p-

after the report in *The Times* yesterday that the powerful GEC had bought a total of 10 In its latest survey of the Unlisted Securiteis Market/163 oil companies, the broker million shares since the New Year, amounting to nearly 3 per cent of the equity. GEC Grieveson Grant recommends

remained tight-lipped about the stockbroker Wood Mackersh's findings. But a space many or the company same states useful large cash reserve to buy equities in the professional for the company same states useful large cash reserve to buy equities in the professional for the company same states useful large cash reserve to buy equities in the professional for the company same states useful large cash reserve to buy equities in the professional for the company same states useful large cash reserve to buy equities in the professional form and the same of the said. The broker is a high yield and the income is franked he said. The broker farmed is a high state of the said of

group's asset value of 83p a share is taken up by Cluff Oil (Pacific) and cash already earmaked for further drilling. Cluff was unmoved at 91p.

Grieveson is recommending purchases of Hadson Petroleum International which made a disappointing debut on the stock market in 1982. Grieveson says Hadson is the cheapest of the British onshore exploration companies trading at a discount to its asset value of 65p. This compares with close rivals presutly trading at up to 30 per cent premium over asset values. Hadson has an attractive drilling programme in the South of England with a total of eight exploratin and appraisal wells. New projects are also planned for the North Sea. Its shares closed unchanged at 62p.

ing the company. The board has Equity turnover on April 24, was £183.488m (14,549 bargains). The total number of cannot say whether any of the Brititsh and Irish stocks traded was 105.2 million. Gilt bargains that the present market price of totalled 2,696.

MONEY MARKETS

The London discount market yesterday was facing a shortage its operations, buying only a investment funds, report that as that the Bank of England further £53m at midday and initially put at about £650m. £92m in the afternoon. This yesterday was facing a shortage The Bank later revised its forecast downward to about £550m st midday and then to Making an early start to

lishing group, continued to

draw on recent good figures with an early gain of 1p to 118p.

The board met on City analysis

on Tuesday to discuss future prospects. The experts are said

to have come away mildly

bullish. Booker plans to invest

the cash it has raised from sales

in the US, but is content to wait

until the dollar slides from its

present high level. The shares

eventually closed unchanged at

De Vere Hotels advanced

another 6p to 326p on bid

speculation, before the board

decided to reply to yesterday's report in The Times reflecting

The group confirms that

several approaches have been

made in recent months express-

ing possible interest in acquir-

been discussing these matters

with its financial advisers, but

approaches will lead to an offer.

But the board gave a warning

market hopes.

about £500m in the afternoon. relieve the tight situation, the authorities bought £307m of bills but found difficulty in taking out the remainder of the

took total assistance up to £452m.

sizable callers in the morning, so houses were able to make only limited progress.

They opened with bids at 81/4 per cent in the early stages, but swiftly moved up to 8%

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

TRAVIS & ARNOLD (timber and building materials):
On turnover up from £100.63m to £117.84m, pretax profits on ordinary activities rose by 26 per cent in 1983 to £9.53m.
Total dividend 6.82p (5.46p).
Shareholders' funds climbed from £41.31m to £46.56m. Sales for the first quarter of 1984 show a reasonable improve-ment on 1983 and prevailing conditions indicate a satisafc-

ordinations indicate a sansanctory performance this year.

SUTCLIFFE SPEAK-MAN: Recent rights issue of 2.5 million ordinary shares at 25p each attracted acceptances for 1:7 million (about 68 per cent of the issue). Balance sold in the market at a premium and net proceeds will be distributed to entitiled shareholders.

MARSHALL'S UNIVER-SAL: Results for 1983. Turn-over £51.38m (£49.48m). Pretax profits £819,000 (£844,000). Because of increased profitability, the company is to restore preference dividends, which are in arrears. First payment will be made on May 31. Trading in first quarter of 1984 indicates a significant increase in profitabi-

• ELLIS & GOLDSTEIN (HOLDINGS): Year to Jan 31, 1984. Turnover £47.93m (£40.88m). Pretax profit £2.43m (£1.02m). Dividend 2.3p (2.15p).

OT R AUSTRALIA IN VESTMENT TRUST: Half-year to Feb 29, 1984, Pretax revenue £591,000 (£564,000). Interim payment effectively held at 0.8p.

• H. C. SLINGSBY: Results for 1983. Sales £3.9m (£3,17m). Pretax profit £106,000 (£65,000). Dividend 2.4p (same).

 WINGATE PROPERTY INVESTMENTS (USM quo-tation): Total dividend of 1.5p a share for 1983, compared with nil for 1982. Gross rental income £1,96m (£1.62m). Pretax profit £737,000 (£424,000). • GOLD & BASE METAL MINES: No dividend for 1983 (same). Pretax profit £1,601 (£21,333). Tax £1,155 (credit £288). Extraordinary debits £519,031 (£8,400), making loss of £518,585 (profit £13,221 last

● EX-LANDS: Unchanged dividend of 0.6p for 1983. Pretax profit £50,000 (£46,000). Tax £17,000 (£9,000). Extra-ordinary debit £70,000 (debit £276,000).

• BOC GROUP: Through its Ohio medical products division, BOC Group has agreed to buy BTI of Colorado, US. BTI produces monitors which measure oxygen levels in the blood.

• FLEMING UNIVERSAL INVESTMENT TRUST: Year to March 31, 1984. Total dividend 6.75p a share (same). Gross income £2.54m (£2.52m).

● ROBECO - ROLINCO: shortage at the normal times of Robeco and Rolinco, the Dutch vided into five shares, each with a par value of 10fl each.

TEMPUS

How companies should allow for deferred tax

After a month of deliberation, the Accounting Standards Committee has pronounced once more on the treatment of deferred taxation. The overall verdict is that last month's Budget changes nothing, and a deferred tax liability which is likely to cystallize should be provided

for at the appropriate rates.

It is a far cry from the near panic which appeared to have engulfed the committee's last meeting a few days after the Chancellor's announcement of a phasing out of capital allowances. The immediate response then was to state that existing accounting standards remain in force but that in some cases compliance would not enable the accounts to show a true and fair view. The wording was sufficiently vague to give the impression

that almost anything was permissible as long as companies explained the approach they had taken. It is clear now that this impression was misplaced, and that there is little room for flexibility. The statement of intent the committee issued yesterday is quite clear. It will lead to the publication of a new accounting standard on the treatment of deferred taxation to come into force on January 1 1985. A company which forsees a deferred tax liability cystallizing must provide for it immediately. Where the changes contained in the 1984 Finance Bill result in a significant adjustment to the deferred tax account this should be treated as an extraordinary item on the profit and loss account.

Already, many of the clearing banks have gone along with this approach, although the committee has frowned on the direct write-off to reserves without any reference to profit after extraodinary items. Many industrial companies have also toed the line and dutifully made additional provisions for deferred taxation as extraordinary items. There is still a large number of busineses which have ignored the impact of the Budget or merely ignored the problem

Auditors will now be obliged to press boards of directors much more closely on their estimates of the impact of deferred taxation. It will be difficult to stave off the requirement to make additional provisions, particularly where a company has not been over prudent in the past.

However, there are still some firms of accountants which are not convinced by the committee's stance. The argument is that, by adopting too rigid a line and making an excessive

ness of a set of accounts is distorted.

A company could be an overall beneficiary of the Budget changes, paying less corporation tax but, because of the nature of its business, still be obliged to the state of the still be obliged. be obliged to make a massive write-back of deferred taxation. The amount of additional

provisions which must now be written back by British com-panies has not been estimated with any degree of accuracy. The calculations which must be carried out are very complicated, and even with the greatest care the amounts can never be anything other than approximations. Whether these provisions genuinely assist the understanding of a company's affairs must be debatable.

Gilts

Gilts have started to fall asleep in the sun, although the longs attracted some buying interest yesterday. Late April is not a time to be brave looks to be the consensus fund management approach to the market.

Last week's string of official statistics, including insti-tutional flows of funds (1983:Q4) and detailed March money supply figures appeared to demonstrate that the insti-tutions are turning their backs on gilts. The main confern now is not whether the Government Broker will appear, but when and with what category of new concept stocks to titillate the

market.

A convertible could be a tricky kind of stock to sell, because existing convertibles have virtually given up their dual role. The sharp fall in Treasury 10 per cent Convertible 1986 last week completed the change in convertibles status relative to shorts, so that virtually all the premium virtually all the premium rating conferred by the conversion option, has now been The long option for most

stocks is now so expensive that holders could miss perhaps the first four points of any rally at the long end. Imminent matur-ing of the first conversion option on Treasary 101/2 per cent. But the yield after exercising the option lifto. Treasury 10 ½ per cent 1999, 25 nearly a full point lower at 9.986 per cent than the long's

Spear and Jackson

Spear and Jackson, now completing a stunning comeback, is suddenly talking about making the commercial big time with enthusiasm as bright as one of once-and-for-all its own garden shovels.

into the black, and after adding back last year's £0.3m of redundancy costs — charged above the line — the present level of profits must be approaching the £2m level. assuming buoyuant first quar-ter returns hold up for the rest of the year.

On dividends, the final proposed payment of 3.5p is an earnest of the group's intentions to liberalize the payout policy. Debt? Net borrowings, including leasing commitments, fell last year by some £2.5m, to £0.5m, and, at 9 per cent, financial gearing is at its lowest level for years. Most of the group's operating ratios, like payroll; sales, are improving rapidly, and S&I's move to squeeze as much cash flow as possible from the business is also apparently paring off.

All very gung-ho. It is clear that the group's extensive rationalization programme, which contributed to losses in 1982 of £1m, has breathed new life into the group. Equally, it is evident that after surviving the invetiable takeover rumours, the group is now moving on to the offensive, and looking to make some sizeable acquisitions. S&J admits that it has identified a number of potential quarries, with shape, not size, the vital cotenion. That comment suggest that bid terms would include a mixture of cash and paper - hence the improved payout terms.

A takeover programme would make gong commercial sense. The effect of the retreachment programme is to leave the group with roughly an per cent of profits coming from overseas, f on a 50.50 sales breakdown between nome and abroad. Tools for the lumber industry contribute perhaps one third of group profits, while hand and garden tools chip in pernaps a quarter oi

Yesterday, the shares rose 8p to 1580, a new high for 1984, as dealers sensed perhaps that the shares also offer a cheap way into the United States econonly. Contrary to gloomier forecasts about a slowdown in United States gdp - witness a 26 per cent drop in March housing starts - Spear and Jackson appears convinced that the general level of United States housing starts will plateau at 1.7m-2m, largely because of more flexible mortgage financing arrangements now on offer in the United States, Thus, as a twoway option on both recovery and United States economic prospects, the shares could ive following.

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Peter Goodall, CBE, TD. Chairman

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Turnover	338,634	298,803
Profit before tax	33,516	24,605
Dividends	9,914	8,812
Earnings per share	12.39р	9.84p

Salient points from the Chairman's Statement

♣ Increase in profitability runs right across the Group.

* Upturn in UK, which was only small, had a very beneficial effect

* A substantial improvement in US over 1982.

* Big increase on last year's capital commitments, mainly investments in updated, automated plant for low-cost production.

The Annual General Meeting of Hepworth Ceramic Holdings PLC will be held on May 9 in London. Copies of the Report and Accounts can be obtained from the Secretary, Genefax House, Tapton Park Road, Sheffield \$103PJ.



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for Unigate accountant

become group controller from mid-July. He is currently group chief accountant. Castrol: Mr Brian Hardy has

joined the board as finance director. He is now group financial controller of Unigate and will be taking up his position with Castrol in July. Grindlays Bank: Mr Ashok

Daval and Mr David Valentine have been appointed to the board. Mr Dayal, who is at present regional director - South Asia, based in Bombay, will be taking up the new post in Hongkong of managing director. South Asia and Pacific Basin. Mr Valentine becomes managing director of the group administration division, based in London.

Standard Chartered Bank: Mr C. W. G. Endacott, chief manager, Chartered Bank, Singapore, will become general manager from May 1. On the same date, he will also become general manager (group person

John Dewar & Sons: Mr T. B. Ashcroft has become a Godfrey Davis: Mr Robert

Wood, managing director of the motor division of Godfrey Davis (Holdings), has been appointed to the main board James Abbott looks at British Rail's performance and how the main-line train is taking the economic strain

Losses that may signal all change on InterCity

Publication last week of British managers more accountable by Rail's annual report and giving them a bottom line to accounts for 1983 presented a work to. There are two other happy picture: a £175m loss in passenger sectors. London & 1982 was turned into an £8m South East (responsible for surplus, and the railway operat- commuter lines) and Provincial ing surplus of £62m was the best Services (responsible for branch in the 21 years of the British lines in rural areas and the Railways Board's existence.

However, buried in the report Freight and Parcels sectors. was a less auspicious result: the board's InterCity sector, the high-profile business responsible for running express trains between our main urban centres, is still losing £159m a year on a gross income of Yet only last August, in its

new five-year plan, British Rail said that indications from its InterCity strategy study were that the business would reach break-even by 1986.

set to make steady progress towards its target of a 5 per cent the objective set by government

InterCity is one of the five business sectors set up when BR grant reorganized its management structure in 1982. The move was widely acclaimed as it

provincial cities), and also

While the Government accepts that the London & South East and Provincial sectors provide a social service, and awards them a subsidy known as the Public Service Obligation (PSO) grant in recognition of that, it expects the other three sectors to operate commercially.

The small Parcels sector already does well, and the Freight sector now earns a trading profit. It was hopeful of break-even by 1900.

According to the corporate plan: "The InterCity sector is of a 5 per cent return on capital by 1988 before it was hit by 1988 before it was hit by to make steady progress by 1988 before it was int by towards its target of a 5 per cent return on assets after charging depreciation at current cost. The plan indicates that the sector will be close to achieving the objective set by government viable passenger business, Inter-City, is in deep trouble and now accounts for some of the PSO

> InterCity is responsible for running trains on four routes year to the coaches. radiating from London, to



The InterCity 125: BR's costly flagship locomotive

Bristol.
While it has been suspected

or some time that the crosscountry line is in a parlous livery, and continued assaults financial state, what is more on the "optional" second-class financial state, what is more worrying is that BR now acknowledges only the west and east coast main lines, which link London with the north of up 3 per cent on 1981 (1982 is England and Scotland, as being omitted as strikes distort the truly profitable. Although the deregulation of long-distance coaches in 1980 did not help BR. it is not the principal cause fare business. This larger vol-InterCity's problems: BR reckons it has lost about £15m a

InterCity has been making broke up the previous mono- Glasgow, Edinburgh, Swansea valiant efforts to improve its by 7 per cent and a determined lithic structure and made and Sheffield; and one cross- position, with the introduction assault on costs resulted in

country route from York to last autumn of a better service executive trains, the promotion of a fresh image with a very new

market with a range of bargain-

basement fares. In 1983, passenger miles were picture), but real income was just below 1981 levels owing to the higher proportion of lowume was handled using fewer resources (the InterCity coach fleet was down 25 per cent on 1981, and train miles were cut

10 per cent in real terms.

It appears that what scuppered InterCity was that infrastructure and administration costs imposed a higher burden on the sector than was expected.

Making InterCity financially viable was always going to be the most difficult part of the new five-year plan. The 1983 losses were not unexpected. Moreover, even the details of the plan itself only showed InterCity improving progressively to a £66m loss in 1988, at 1983 prices, instead of the £30m profit needed to meet the plan's nominal objectives. Clearly, even then, new initiatives were vital, InterCity's loss still exceeds a third of turnover - an apparently hopeless position.

The BR Board will present its

strategy for InterCity to the Department of Transport within the next couple of months, and it is thought that the study will propose heavy cuts in the frequency of trains on InterCity routes.

There is now a danger that frantic efforts to attain a viable InterCity sector will result in main-line trains, carrying perhaps 300 people, being taken out of the timetable, while branch line trains connecting with them and carrying say 30 people each, but accounted a social service, will be retained.

On receipt of the strategy study, the Government will probably be forced into a rethink of the role and aim of InterCity. One option would be

to revise the bundle of services which make up the InterCity sector, so that only the profitable ones are included. There would seem to be little logic in the present split: for instance. InterCity's financial milistone, the York to Bristol route, has similar characteristics to the trans-Pennine route from

Liverpool to Scarborough,

which is classified as InterCity

for marketing purposes but is not in the InterCity sector. A danger here is that a circular definition could ensure (those routes which are profitable are in InterCity, and InterCity is those routes which are profitable) and there would be no obligation on management to perform on those routes which ought to be profitable, such as the London-South Wales line.

Another option for the Government would be to move the goal posts: to accept that viability is an unrealistic target for InterCity and to set some more attainable aim. This would mean accepting that InterCity would have to be grant-aided (as it is de facto at present), an unpalatable solution for this Government as both it and its predecessors Railways

distance travel.

Accepting that InterCity has to be grant-aided would have important implications for investment. In the social service parts of BR, investments are justified by showing they are the least-cost way of continuing to provide the service. The nagships of BR's passenger fleci, the InterCity 125 air-cou-ditioned trains, have heavy depreciation costs and are expensive to run - in short, they are not the cheapest way of providing a service

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While this would appear to be a gloomy picture, BR is hoping to salvage one prize. Contrary to popular belief, this stingy over railway investment - but so far it has held back on authorizing the project dearest to BR's heart, electrification of the east coast main line

If it is established that it is not realistic to view the InterCity sector as a potentially-viable whole, there might be more chance of relating the electrification to the performance of the set agent lies also ance of the east coast line alone - and BR is convinced that on this criterion a go-ahead for the project would be justified.

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Extracts from the Report of the Chairman, Mr. D. J. Wise, to the Annual Meeting on 25th April 1984.

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"Professor Gower's report 'Review of Investor Protection' was published in January 1984. We support his general aim of protecting members of the public. In relation to Professor Gower's proposal for the introduction of a licensing system for intermediaries, it should be realised that most of the complaints about bad selling arise from the sale of relatively sophisticated life assurance arrangements by independent intermediaries and

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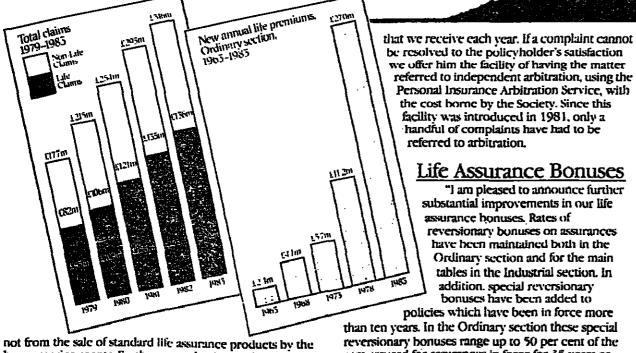
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Motor Insurance

"Although the 1983 account shows an underwriting profit of £4.5 million, compared with a loss of £1.3 million in 1982, the underlying experience shows a worsening trend, with a substantial underwriting loss in respect of the year 1983 on its own, when the adjustments in respect of earlier years are excluded. The investment income attributable to motor business increased from £15.9 million to £16.4 million.

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The year 1983 showed a relative absence of severe weather compared with the previous year. In other respects, however, the experience showed a considerable worsening over that of 1982. Yet again there was a marked increase in the cost of theft claims, where the experience in the major conurbations is a cause of particular concern. The cost of claims due to subsidence and to fire also rose quite sharply."

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Comet forecasts fall in first half profits

Comet Group, the electrical as before Comet announced it discount chain for which Wool- was talking to a possible bidder. worth Holdings has made an agreed bid, will see profits in the first half fall from £12.76m to £12m, according to the direc-

tors' forecast.
In the formal offer document, sent to shareholders yesterday. Comet's chairman and biggest shareholder, Mr Michael Hilingbery, also sounded a warning note about the full year

"It is too early to forecast the outturn for the full financial year. However, as far as current trading is concern, national industrial unrest always has a negative effect on consumer confidence resulting in a reduction in the level of retail sales. This is affecting Comet." Turnover for the 27-week first half to March 3 was £213m against £194m for the 26-week

interim period last year. Mr Hollingbery says that although sales were up by 9 per cent, trading margins were under pressure and the company suffered from increased

overhead costs. Shareholders will be paid an interim dividend of 1p (1p adjusted) before the bid goes

Comet's less than buoyant trading prospects is the main reason why Mr Phil Harris's Harris Queensway cut-price carpet and furniture group decided against topping Woolworth's £186m offer.

There is also a loan note alternative. Shareholders who accept the

offer will get an increase in income of 251 per cent - a figure which includes interest on the £15 cash.

Woolworth bought about 15 per cent of Comet's shares just before Easter. Mr Holllingbery and his family have already pledged the 32 per cent of the equity which they hold.

Mr John Beckett Woolworth's chairman, apologises in his statement to shareholders for the complexity of the 31that Woolworth is committed to the development of Comet as an independent division of Woolworth, with its head office remaining at Hull.

Routledge expands

Mr Peter Hopkins, who resigned as editorial director of Routledge and Kegan Paul, the publishing group, last week is taking control of a joint venture with routledge. Called KPI, it will enable Mr Hopkins to use his experience of publishing books on the Middle East, Asia and Africa. Steady expansion of KPI's already successful pub-lishing activities is forecast.

worth's £186m offer.

The Woolworth offer of two of its shares plus £15 cash for every 11 in Comet values Comet's shares at just under 230p, about half as much again

WALL STREET

Texaco speculation grows

shi Oil Company it will acquire through its purchase of Getty Oil.

The US company has not told the Japanese of any plans to transfer the shares to another party, a Mitsubishi Oil official said yesterday.

But a rumour has surfaced

(AP - Dow Jones) Specu-lation has heated up again on intention to purchase the what Texaco may do with the Mitsubishi Oil shares from 50 per cent holding in Mitsubi-Texaco. Although there has been speculation that Kuwait Petroleum could be the recipient of the shares before, it was quickly suppressed on a belief that MITI objected to the idea.

According to an article in a local business newspaper, Kuwait Petroleum has submit-ted a notification through an unnamed Japanese trading that Kuwait Petroleum Corpor-ation has notified Japan's company of its intention to Ministry of International Trade purchase the shares

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World leaders prepare to meet in the face of rising protectionism

Trade barriers will remain intact despite the London summit

picces of protectionist legis-lation pending in the United States Congress.

Europe and the United States are once again embroiled in a series of nasty skirmishes over trade in wine, corn gluten, steel and the continued use of export subsidies. The "Japanese probhas intensified on both sides of the Atlantic.

In the Third World among debt-pressed nations seeking to export their way to recovery, there is growing resentment over the wave of trade barriers erected or proposed by indus-

It is a list which demonstrates clearly the dilemma facing Western heads of state and their official "sherpas" now preparing for the annual economic summit. They must find a way to restore the international momentum against protectionism without promising too

Specifically they must decide whether to use the London summit to launch a new round of multilateral negotiations on the scale of the Kennedy and Tokyo rounds, to address the trade problems of the 1980s, or whether to settle for something

The spectre of the 1930s protectionist scramble which caused world trade to contract by an estimated 60 per cent remains in the minds of western officials, who have found it difficult to live up to their said. international commitments over the past year.

that something concrete must be done to recapture the postwar spirit of cooperation, if the global trading system is to operate effectively during the next few crucial years of expanding economic recovery.

In its newly-released world economic outlook, the International Monetary Fund predicted that the volume of world trade would rise by 5.5 per cent this year and again in 1985 after a sluggish rise of only 2 per cent in 1983 and an actual decline of 2.5 per cent in 1982.

But this will occur only if markets stay open, the IMF warned in a sharply-worded statement issued during the recent meeting of its policymaking interim committee in

analysis of national

The analysis, published in the

agreements last year.

On June 7-9, President series which began in 1975, Reagan, Mrs Thatcher and when the shock of the first the other heads of government of the seven big brought

important postwar recession

dangerous option of national trade barriers. Protectionism is still the most important ment of the seven big brought world leaders issue before the summitteers. economies of the non-Communist industrial world will recapturing the miracle of the agenda for the London issue before the summiteers. meet in London. They will be economic growth. At that summit, Bailey Morris retaking part in the tenth first summit, their main ports on the worsening trade

round died because of lack of

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before we start a new round.

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ing countries. These have on the

All of which suggests that the

London summit will produce

little more than a weak, non-

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elobal round and indicates

Already, much work has been done in the OECD and the

give more relief and trade access

In addition, for multilateral

what will be in it"

liamsburg summit.

some sort of timetable.



Trading issues: Mrs Thatcher and Mr Reagan face tough decisions in June.

practices Such policies "inhibit trade the adjustment efforts of both developed and developing countries, the con-trol of inflation and the improvement of living standards worldwide," the IMF

But can they be avoided? Increasingly, there is a feeling that community the strong in the US and Canada; nationalism is growing in Europe and Japan still seems word reluctant to open its markets to said. foreign imports and investment.

Perhaps not. But they can at least be managed and controlled through a new set of rules based on current realities in the global market. Even this limited aim, however, may not be met at the London summit

The consensus among Amercan be expected is a new undertake to begin preparations adversely affect the European for a new round of multilateral Community and other nations. negotiations to be held perhaps in the spring of 1985, after the US presidential elections.

Only a fifth of all manual Department's Gazette, says that by national agreements had five workers still have a basic by the end of 1983 the move weeks or more paid holiday.

working week of 40 hours or more and 95 per cent are week was largely complete.

by the end of 1983 the move weeks or more paid holiday.

Days lost through strikes rose sharply in March to 1,903,000,

Average basic holiday entitle-

ments had risen to 21.75 days by late 1983 and nearly a fifth of

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which continue to grow in relative importance - have encouraged us to support further heavy capital expenditure. Overseas we have seen greater stability in our South African

At the present time we expect to maintain similar progress in our second half-year.

operations and we have benefited from some improvement in demand in both

the acquisition of IMI Rod & Wire and the results from our plastic and consumer interests -

April issue of the Employment the 11 million workers covered million days lost.

entitled to four weeks or more Basic hours averaged 39.2

paid holiday, according to an compared with 40 in 1978.

wage

* Record profit of £1.1m before taxation

* Dividend increased by 10.5% to 2.1p

profit before tax of nearly a quarter.

Interim Results - unaudited

Australia and New Zealand.

Net Investment rental increased by 17%

* Gross Investment rental now exceeds £2m - up 15%

* Net assets per ordinary stock unit increased to 122p

Working week down to 39 hours —

over the growth of protectionist multilateral round for a variety EEC official: "The Kennedy of domestic, political and international reasons.

The United States, example, faces a record trade deficit, forecast to reach \$120 billion in 1984. The Reagan administration does not want to negotiations to succeed, they commit itself to a liberalization of trade rules at a time when it is uncertain it can manage protectionist pressures at home. believing they will be asked "to "We do not want to be in a give up something" by the position of having to eat our powerful rich nations. position of having to eat our words," a senior US official

At present, six controversial import relief cases - called 201 cases - are pending and have been carefully timed to land on President Reagan's desk in October and November, only weeks before the general elections. A finding of injury by the US International Trade Adican and European officials ministration in any or all of the specially interviewed by *The* cases covering steel, copper. *Times* was that the most that footwear, and tuna imports, among others, might require the "directive from" western heads President to take restrictive of state. Their governments will trade action which would

In Europe, despite growing trade round, officials also think Washington. The statement expressed "profound concern stop short of launching a new one too soon. According to one

with the miners' strike account-

ing for about 80 per cent of the

In the first quarter of the year

strikes have cost industry 2.6

Dr. J. M. Butler, Chairman

1983

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3,763

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Half-year ended

31st January

£'000

97,179

4.251

1,203

Year ended

31st July

1983

Audited

158,108

10,377

6,955 (534)

4,163

£'000

industrialized nations to open up their markets to more consumer goods from the west The continued use of expor subisidies is certain to be on the agenda as is agriculture which, like the poor, and taxes, is always with us," said a Euro-

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So much is obvious. The broader, more contentious issues covering trade in high technology and services are more difficult to quantify and coordinate. The US has been pressing for action in these two areas for years in the belief that they represent new trade fron-tiers which require a new, more comprehensive set of global

example, is a sector in which obsolescence is rapid and the cost of development is high. Does this mean that governments should, under certain controlled circumstances, be allowed to exchange information and protect nascent industries from foreign competition? What rules should apply to the commercial application of military and defence tech-

nology? Should Europe, which is lagging behind in the technology race, be allowed to take measures which will give it time to catch up with Japan and the United States? At present, Europe has only 10 per cent of the world market in computers and only 40 per cent of its own market.

Services throw up equally difficult topics which rub against the grain of entrenched national policies. Much Ameri-can and European dissatisfaction with Japan stems from its longstanding policy of restricting foreign investment and limiting sharply the inter-national role of the Yen.

emerged from last year's Wil-Foreign .ownership of Japanese banks is prohibited This degree of failure can be

avoided, officials believe, if the These and other investment summit launches substantive restrictions (particularly in the newly industrialized Asian nations) which prevent the creation of world markets in banking insurance and related service industries need to be resolved. If the summit marks GATT on the types of issues the beginning of what is bound which must be covered. In the to be a long, cumbersome area of tariffs, for example, the process of dismantling barriers rich nations are being pressed to to invisible trade, it will contribute one small but important step back from protec-

to the poorest countries. The newly industrialized countries Manufacturing base 'vital for services'

man of Drake & Scull engineering group, hit out yesterday at lost could only be replaced by a the growing suggestion that three per cent increase in the service industries would replace much of the nation's traditional nanufacturing base.

Speaking at the launch of a national engineering marketing award scheme, Sir Monty said the country must recognize the fact that it was the success of manufactured goods that generated the service industries.

Of the 45 per cent of food and most raw materials that Britain imported, three-quarters was paid for by the sale of manufactured products and 25 per cent by the earnings of

Base

Lending

Rates

Continental Trust 34%
C Hoare & Co 44%
Lloyds Bank 34%

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C M CAVAYE General Manager and Actuary 15 Dalbath Road, Edinburgh ERIG5BU 3rt April 1984

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Sir Monty Finniston, chair- services. That menat that every one per cent of manufacturing service sector.

The new awards, sponsored jointly by the National West-minster Bank and British Airways, have been introduced by Engineering industries Association by giving public recognition particularly to small engineering companies which have excelled in their marketing

The first awards will be made in November following adjudication of entires by a panel of judges under the chairmanship Major-General Desmond Smith, chairman of the national engineering marketing com-

The awards comprise three trophies for small, medium and large companies plus a free

round trip in concorde Sir Monty said that the committee of inquiry into the engineering profession which he headed four years ago had without dissent declared that the future of the British economy and the living stan-dards of its population depended on being able to beat international competition for its manufactured goods.

Producing high quality, high added value goods using the best technology was one aspect of the engineering dimension identified by the committee; the other was marketing.

The EIA, 40 per cent of whose 3,000 members employ under 20 workers, has organized 124 trade missions around the world resulting in £1.8billion of orders for Britain.



Scottish Life Investments **INSURANCE FUNDS**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

The Annual General Meeting will be held at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, 5th June 1984,

at the Jahrhunderthalle in Frankfurt am Main-Höchst, Pfaffenwiese.

Agenda

- Presentation of the Annual Report and Accounts of Hoschst Aktiengesellschaft for 1983, with the Report of the Supervisory Board, and the Consolidated Report
- 2. Allocation of the profit available for dividend.
- It is proposed to pay a dividend of DM 7.- per share of DM 50.- nominal for
- 3. Ratification of the actions of the Board of Management for 1983.
- 4. Ratification of the actions of the Supervisory Board for 1983.
- 5. Resolution that the Board of Management be authorised until 4th June 1989, with the approval of the Supervisory Board, to increase the share capital by up to DM 200 million by the issue of new shares against contributions in cash, and to decide on the exclusion of the subscription right of shareholders in specific
- Approval of the integration of Ruhrchemie AG, Oberhausen, into Hoechst AG, Frankfurt am Main, in accordance with § 319 of the German Stock Corporation
- 7. Election of auditors for the financial year 1984,

The full agenda, including the proposed resolutions, is contained in the Bundes anzeiger no. 79 of 25th April, 1984.

Shareholders wishing to be present and to vote at the Meeting must comply with Article 14 of the Articles of Association and deposit their share certificates during usual business hours by Friday, 1st June 1984, at the latest until after the Meeting. at one of the depositories listed in the Bundesanzeiger no. 79 of 25th April 1984, or. in the United Kingdom, at the offices of

> S. G. Warburg & Co. Ltd. 30, Gresham Street

Frankfurt am Main, April 1984

Hoechst Aktiengesellschaft

Ash & Lacy Year of continued investmentprofits, dividend & earnings up

To keep each of our companies in the lead in its own technology we have invested £2.8 million in 1983. This was in addition to £2.9 million invested in 1982.9

	0-1	Profit before	Durai - 4	Earnings
	Sales	tax	Dividend	per share
1982	£27.1m	£3.1m	18.0p	52.3p
1983	£27.6m	£3.4m	20.0p	56.3p

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Turnover **Operating Profit** Profit before tax

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At the A.G.M. on 25th April, the Chairman, Mr. J.E. Aisher, highlighted:

★ Overseas subsidiaries' first half-year performance better than 1983.

- ★ First quarter comparative U.K. roof tile volumes up 16%.
- ★ Recent Budget likely to benefit Marley.

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts and the Diamond Jubilee Brochure are obtainable from The Secretary,



Note – Interim dividend of 2.00p (1983 2.00p) per Ordinary Share making a gross equivalent of 2.85714p (1983 2.85714p).

Turnover

Operating Profit

Extraordinary items

Ordinary Dividend

Share of Profits of Associates

Earnings per Ordinary Share

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ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, April 9. Dealings End, April 27. § Contango Day, April 30. Settlement Day, May 8 § Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.

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Terry at his festive best

UFFEUR DRIVE AR RENTAL

Control of Section 1999

By Marcus Williams

FENNER'S: Cambridge University, with nine first innings wickets in hand, are 412 runs behind Hamp-

"Cricket Festival" the road signs "Cricket Festival" the road signs into Cambridge said yesterday and although they pointed to a match for lan Botham's benefit year on another ground. Hampshire batsmen clearly took them to refer to Economics."

men clearly took them to refer to Fenner's.

On another perfect day – for all except the University bowlers, that is – and on a typically gentle pitch Hampshire rattled up 448 runs shortly before half past five. In the last 55 minutes Cambridge lost the wicket of Lea but Andrew, who had earlier shone in the field, gave hope for today.

carlier shone in the field, gave hope for today.

Jesty. who made the season's first double century, and Terry both achieved the highest innings of their careers. Together they put on 302 in just over three hours for the second wicket after Turner had been bowled in the fifth over, and missed the firm

Terry scored three centuries last season at an average of more than 45 and he looked a fine prospect wide mid-on attempting a third.

HAMPSHIRE: First Invings
V P Tenry c Cotterell b Gartick
D R Turner b Gartick
T E Jesty run out
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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-320, 3-448. BCWLING: Garlick 16.3-\$-77-2; Grimes 12-1-77-0; Andrew 9-1-56-0; Cottores 26-2-98-0; Golding 25-5-120-0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY First Innings Total (1 wkl.)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35. Umpires: B Dudieston and R Julien

IN BRIEF

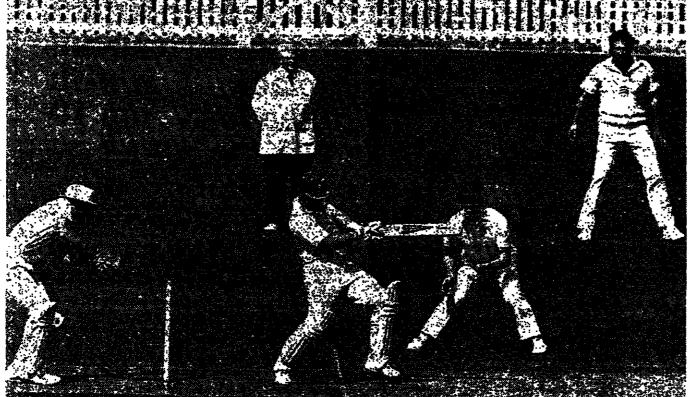
MOTOR RALLYING: Raily drivers who participate in events in South Africa will be barred from competing in Kenya's safari rally.

Kenneth Matiba, the Kenyan Minister for Culture and Social Services, told the 1984 safari rally drivers at the prizegiving ceremony drivers at the prizegiving ceremony in Nairobi on Tuesday that Kenya valued the safari rally and would continue to support it, but was not ready to compromise on sporting links with South Africa.

BOXING: Rene Weller, West
Germany's European lightweight

boxing champion, agreed yesterday to meet Juergen Himmler of Austria tomorrow in a non-title bout. It will be his fourth bout in 49 days.

CRICKET: FINE PROSPECT MARRED BY DULL PLAY AS SEASON OPENS AT LORD'S



Into his stride: Chris Smith opens the season and MCC batting at Lord's. (Photograph: Ian Stewart).

Bright first, cloudy later

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent

LORD'S: MCC have scored 235 for six against Essex.

Oh, dear! The weather for the start of the Lord's season was more start of the Lord's season was more beautiful than any words. The ground was a picture, the crowd larger than for many years on the opening day. Two interesting sides were assembled, and yet between them they managed little to quicken the pulse. By close of play, MCC had scored 235 for six at 2.5 runs an over.

The players were only partly to blame. The modern game, and the pitch, had at least as much to do with it. Off a thickish mat of grass. the ball, at any rate to start with, moved all over the place, sometimes pitching on the leg stump, and veering sharply towards first slip's right hand. For much of the day, the batsmen were too concerned with

survival to turn to attack.

Not since the day My Fair Lady opened in London, in the late fifties. could anyone remember a season being given quite such a welcome by the sun. Yet had the faster Essex bowlers brought the bassmen forward early in the day, which unaccountably they failed to do. MCC must have been in all kinds of trouble. When, for an hour in the afternoon, Lever came back and pitched the ball up, an opening partnership of 103 between Smith and Lloyd was put into perspective.

Lloyd, of Warwickshire, is a left-handed accumulator. There is not much of him, but he grafts away,

nudging and deflecting and getting into line. His 60 was full of merit. Smith spent three hours 25 minutes making 43. He was determined and boring. The selectors will be looking for a sheet anchor, as he knows well enough. And it is a role that suites

enough. And it is a role that suries him.

The most agreeable innings came from Mark Nicholas. Having seen, in quick succession, Smith caught at second slip, and Gower in the covers, and Gatting at the wicket, Nicholas played patiently and pretty straight, going not halfway forward, but all the arms when the bell was up. straight, going not hanway forward, but all the way when the hall was up to him. He alone of all the batsmen ever looked as though he was "in". Cowdrey and Williams both battled along for a while, Cowdrey until he was caught at slip off a ball which lifted more than he may have expected, and Williams until he allowed himself to be bowled without playing a stroke. without playing a stroke.

When Williams was out with half an hour left, I rather hoped Gower might declare. We had seen enough by then of MCC's batting; the game was far enough behind the clock. A change of scene would have helped. But the day ended as it was mostly played, with medium pace at both ends, and the ball coming through at uneven heights, and still not a cloud

in the sky.

Had it been a champiouship match we would have had to have another 25 overs. Yesterday, in six hours, 92 were bowled. In the championship this season, there will need to be a minimum of 117 in the day. One way and another, I am not sure those who made the annual

pilgimage got their money's worth, though they would have minded more if it had been shiveringly cold.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-103, 2-120, 3-128, 4-130, 5-164, 6-217. ESSEX: G A Gooch, G Gladwin, "K W R Fetcher, K S McEwan, B R Harde, D R Pringle, S Turner, 1D E East, N A Foster, J K Lever and D L Acfield.

Umpires: B J Meyer and D R Shapherd.

Frost over Denmark

Kuala Lumpur (AFP) - Morten Frost, the All-England badminton champion, will lead Denmark's men's team in the Thomas Cup here, while Kirsten Larsen heads the country's women's team in the Uber Cup from May 7 to 18. Denmark have been drawn in a group with the champions, China, in the Thomas

S Koreans for Cuba

Seoul (AP) - South Korean womer athletes have been issued with entry visas by Cuba for the first time for a 19-nation basketball tournament in Havana, beginning on May 4.

Britannic reward the counties

Outstanding performances in the county championship are to be rewarded in a £6,000 scheme rewarded in a £6.000 scheme announced yesterday by Britannic Assurance. The company, who have taken over sponsorship of the championship from Schweppes, are to give a monthly award of £250 to the outstanding performance by an individual. Five judges will nominate a Player of the Season, who receives £500. In addition there will be £750 available to the county of be £750 available to the county of the month. Britannic will also donate £100 towards equipment for a local school or junior cricket side nominated by each county of the month.

Derbyshire have signed Devar Malcolm, a 21-year-old fast bowler Malcolm, Jamaican-born but resi dent in England for four years, will be registered as an overseas player. In a recent representative match for the Yorkshire League against the county club, Malcolm bowled Martyn Mason and Geoff Boycott. Earlier this week Derbyshire decided on fitness grounds not to sign the Guyanan fast bowler Leslayne Lambert.

Sussex are to give a trial to 19year-old fast bowler Michael Bruce, from Londonderry. Bruce will play in a 50-over practice match at Hove, alongside Clive Batchelor, another fast-bowling trialist, from Bourne-

Younis quickly into his stride

By Richard Streeton

THE PARKS: Oxford University, with 9 first innings wickets in hand, are 288 runs behind Glamorgan.
Forceful batting by Younis Ahmed, on his first appearance for Glamorgan, yesterday bolstered an otherwise uneven performance by the county. He made a chanceless 158 out of 223, added in a shade under four hours.

There can be few better places in the present sunshine to have a working day prolonged unexpectedly: the play was put back half an hour, as Glamorgan travelled after breakfast. Oxford were without Carr (knee injury), and Hayes, the captain, retired in the afternoon with a pulled hamstring.

The depleted university bowlers though, had every reason to be pleased. On a perfect pitch and fast outfield, only Youns dominated them. Younis launched his latest career in the best possible way. He drove crisply on both sides of the wicket, and well-timed pulls brought many runs.

Otherwise, only Jones and more dourly, Steele, stayed for any length of time (Jones, for the first time in 11 years as a county player, no longer needs the prefix Alan Lewis, now that Alan Jones has finally retired). Jones looked in good working order, before a missimed drive went straight to mid-off.

Hopkins was becaten by breakback, and Ontong was caught one-handed down the leg side by Cullinan, from a glance. Glamorgan's troubles continued, when Henderson was beatenn through the air by Lawrence, a slow left-arm bowler, and Francis turned a catch to backward square leg.

Total (9 wkts dec) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-78, 3-121, 4-132, 5-148, 8-219, 7-230, 8-233, 9-258.

BOWLING: Thoma 37-2-81-4; Tumbus 11-3-35-1; Hayes 8-2-9-0; Revaluacing 35-4-114-3; Lawrence 17-5-55-1; Toogood 1-1-0-0.

Total (1 wkt) ...

"K A Hayes, G J Toogood, D A Thorne, Britantowe, 1M R Cullinan, J G Franks, J R Turnbull and M P Lawrence to bet.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12. Umpires: A Jepson and J A Jemeson More cricket, page 26

SPORT **ATHLETICS**

Miss Budd offered olive branch by laurelled Olympians

Zola Budd may be a long way from an Olympic laurel leaf but she got her first olive branch yesterday; from Derek Johnson, a former British Olympic medal winner, who has appealed to British athletes "to extend the hand of friendship and the dignity of non-discrimination" to Miss Budd.

Johnson, who won the 800 metres

Johnson, who won the 800 metres silver medal at the Melbourne Olympics in 1956, has the backing of David Hemery and David Bedford, two of Britain's most famous Olympians and world record holders. record holders.

All three are former chairmen of

the International Athletes' Club, the organization of current and past British internationals, who have a strong influence on British athletics policy. However, their views run counter to the official IAC statement, made last week by Mike Winch, the treasurer, who sup-ported the British female middledistance runners against the incur-sion of Miss Budd as potential

Olympic selection.

Johnson admits that it is a personal view, "which has taken me some time to reach", but he hopes that with the backing of Hemery,

Bedford and Paul Dickenson, the IAC chairman, most British athletes, "specally black", will react favourably.

Johnson has extended a public invitation to Miss Budd, her lamily and coach "to meet us shortly to explore ways in which we personally can assist her."

"She had an unchallengeable right The task an unchaltengeable right to British citizenship and it is our good fortune and privilege that she chose to take it up. Had she stayed in South Africa and broken world record after world record she would surely have been a potent weapon of public sympathy and exploitation in the hands of that country's rulers.

This has now been denied them and

every appearance she makes on a track in future will be a living and constant rebuke to their society." This is an astute move by Johnson, who has impeccable credentials on anti-apartheid. Sam Ramsamy, the head of SANROC who are opposed to Miss Budd's convenient change of nationality from South African to British —

readily admitted this yesterday.

"But 1 think the statement is premature," Mr Ramsamy said.

OLYMPIC GAMES

Soviet pleas heeded

Moscow (AP) - The Soviet news agency Tass said yesterday that "several fundamental issues were

Angeles Olympic Games.
In a report from Lausanne, Tass said that Peter Ueberroth, president of the Los Angeles Olympics Organizing Committee, and the Soviet Olympics Committee chairman Maret Gramov, had discussed man, Marat Gramov, had discussed Soviet allegations of US Olympic Charter violations.

Charter violations.

The issues resolved related to the visa-free entry to the United States by Games participants and accredited journalists to all competition and training sites' accommo-dation and other facilities during the

Games. Tass also reported that Soviet representatives at the meeting had Los Angeles Games".

demanded that the Los Angeles Tass added that a communique

maiter should be handled at Government level.

The Tass report did not provide resolved" at a meeting of United
States and Soviet Olympic Committee officials about the 1984 Los
Angeles Olympic Games.
In a report from Lausanne, Tass

were

the Tass report that the Soviet Union would participate in the Games. But it appeared to indicate that, except for the question of the security of Soviet atletes, most of the Krembu's objections to the US handling of the Olympics had been resolved. Gramov told reportersafter the

meeting that his country would narticipate in the Games as long as the United States obeyed Olympic

past Soviet complaints that US Government officials were too involved in Olympics preparations. Tass said Gramov had called the meeting "a great step forward in removing the indesirable overlaps that emerged recently around the

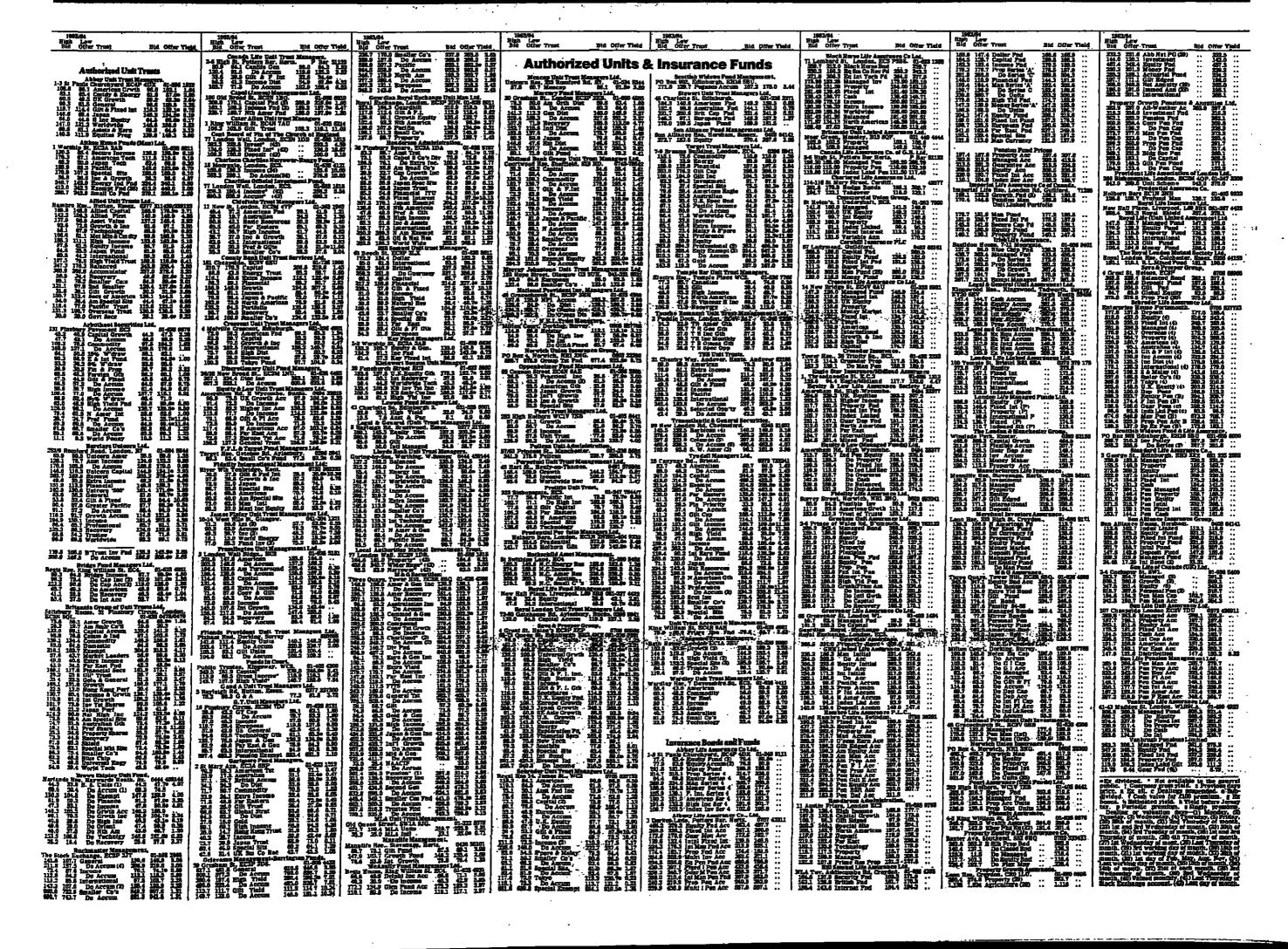
Olympic Organizing Committee acknowledged that Soviet demands take steps to ensure the safety of for going to the Los Angeles Games Olympic athletes and that this were legitimate.

IN BRIEF

ATHLETICS: Joan Benoit, the world's fastest woman marathon runner, is to have arthroscopic surgery on her right knee which may force her to miss the United States Olympic trial on May 12. The first three finishers will be selected for Los Angeles and Miss Benoit's only alternative would be to try for a place in the 3,000 metres.

GYMNASTICS: Soviet Gymnasts, visiting China for the first time in 25 years, shared the honours with their hosts at the conclusion of the threeday Peking international tournament on Tuesday night. The outstanding Soviet team member was Yuri Balabanov, who took gold medals in the men's rings, parallel

bars and horizontal bar.



FOOTBALL: LIVERPOOL TAKE CENTRE STAGE AGAIN AS OTHER BRITISH LEADING LIGHTS FADE

challenge

to Kelso

in sevens

By David Hands

While a host of clubs, senior and

junior, prepare this weekend for the Middlesex sevens tournament at

Twickenham on May 5 by playing

through the qualifying rounds at eight different grounds, three senior Lonodon clubs send teams of varying quality to Scotland to challenge for the Haig Trophy at Murrayfield on Sunday.

The game between Loudon and

Paris deprives Harlequins, Wasps and London Welsh of leading players but all three clubs, along with the other guests to the Scottish

feast, Cardiff and Abertillery from

Wales, and Bective Rangers from Ireland, will hope to put up a representative performance in the

face of keen competition from the

The trophy has been won for the last three years by Kelso, who distinguished themselves by romping away with the Melrose sevens a foringht ago, scoring 40 points in the final. On Sunday, however, they will be without the Scotland and British Lions wing, Baird, who damaged a shoulder playing for Barbarians in Cardiff. He is polymistic of being fit to fiv out with

optimistic of being fit to fly out with

tournament at the start of the season, and of the Old Belvedere,

Kilmarnock and Rosslyn Park (Cincom) sevens tournaments, take a useful side. It includes Halsey, the

wing who has been chosen to go to Spain with England's under-23

Their first game is against Heriot's FP. London Welsh meet Selkirk in the next match and then

Wasps come up against Watsonians.

Kelso's first game is against Hawick.

who beat them in the semi-finals of the Hawick tournament last week-

in the Kelso team has gone to Tate, but the half backs who schemed

Brigend have established a world try-scoring record of 251 this season and still have one match to play.

World try record

the Scotland party to Roma

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Dundee United...

(AS Roma win 3-2 on aggregate) to the overwhelming occasion the air. It was a warning of as much as to the gifted things to come from their individuals of AS Roma in this centroavanti. When Coti had a European Cup semi-final, in the goal disallowed in the seventh amphitheatre of the Olympic minute because of an earlier Stadium here yesterday. United's lead stirringly gained United's lead stirringly gained relaxed his players. Instead they at Tannadice, provided as much became more fearful, hesitant in

Roma played like men who ad looked into the future and liked what they saw. They knew steady 57 minutes to repossess stood and admired

served United so proudly a lions. Though Falcao, obviously fortnight ago evaporated in the not perfectly fit, reassured the warmth of the afternoon and Romans merely by his presence, the intense heat of the moment. It was Di Bartolomei who was They were not bold enough, nor at the hub of most moves once with such boiling pressure and vicinity of United's goal. In the it would be of little consolation thirty-eighth minute he chipped to Jim McLean, the manager, the ball to Pruzzo, who held off and his players to know that few Gough to score with an teams could have coped better.

unexpected and praiseworthy adventure for United to have too much of a struggle. travelled this far through Europe's premier competition of the way Roma approached at their first attempt. The drubbing Roma received

in the first leg greatly pained the Italians, but was a foregone conclusion that the memory of vulnerable. An exquisitely cenit would be blown away in the tred ball found Pruzzo and, as celebratory, carnival atmosphere of this Roman holiday. phere of this Roman holiday. McAlpine, the goalkeeper The tall red-and-yellow flags of hauled him down. Di Bartolo-Roma, densely populating the stadium like an enormous bowl of tulips, swayed majestically in prize was landed. crowd, penetrated the Scottish

The effect was visible from the kick-off, taken by United, as they cowered into retreat while five Italians stalked forward. Michel Vautrot, the French

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pre-match messag of fair play by booking United's Malpa in the third minute. In the next minute McAlpine was called upon brilliantly to

referee, acted swiftly upon his

Dundee United succumbed pluck a shot from Pruzzo out of the air. It was a warning of foul, McLean felt it shoud have protection as a loin-cloth in a defence. apprehensive about lions' den.

attack. McLean described it as

Milne, however, suddenly got a chance to switch the fear into their destination - the final is at Italian hearts, but he shot rashly this same stadium on May 30 - over. Three minutes later, to the and they patiently edged incessant beat of bass drums, towards a lavish reward, esti-Roma scored when Pruzzo mated to be £1.7m in crowd powered through with a header receipts alone. It took them a to a Conti corner while United

Roma continued to creep up Sadly, the spirit which had on the Scots, like prowling experienced enough, to cope they had reached the close eams could have coped better. outstretched leg. Roma were It has nevertheless, been an slowly pulling United in like a prize fish who was not making

> The winning goal was typical the match. Maldera played the ball simply up the wing to Cerezo, the lazy-striding Brazilian, and in a trice United were he attempted to go around mei converted comfortably from the penalty spot and the

It is now up to Liverpool, ful rather than intimidating the supreme masters of the big grandeur, along with the intense desire of the 68,000 Roman occasion, to take the Cup right under these Roman noses. occasion, to take the Cup right under these Roman noses.
AS ROMA: M Nappi; U Righetti, S Nela.
P Falcao, A Maldera, B Conti, A Cerezo (sub M Strukelj), R Pruzzo (sub E Oddi).
A Di Bartolomei, F Graziani.
DUNDEE UNITED: H McAlpine; D Stark (sub J Holt), M Malpas, R Gough, P Hegarty, D Narey, E Bannon, R Milne, W Kirkwood, P Sturrock, D Dodds.
Referee: M Vautrot (France). Referee: M Vautrot (France).

RUGBY LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION: Bradford Northern 34, Leeds ECOND DIVISION: Keightey 6, Cardiff City 30.

RUGBY UNION RUGBY LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION: York 11. Barrow 27.

Anderlecht 3, Nottingham Forest 0 (agg 3-2).

SECOND DIVISION: Middlesbrough 2, Sheffield Wednesday 0.
THIRD DIVISIONE Bradford City 1, Newport County 0.

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From David Miller

(Liverpool wan 3-1 on aggregate)

continuous rain Liverpool dis-

dainfully, not to say bravely

rode the slings and arrows of this disgraceful Dinamo side

yesterday, to reach their fourth

European Cup final and their

seventh final in European

competition over 20 consecu-

tive exceptional years. There can have been few sweeter

Dinamo began this semi-final

second leg, as they had ended the first. Augustin and Stanescu

fouled Souness and Lee in the

first couple of minutes, a

mentality which was to prove

futile in the face of a West

German referee, Dieter Pauli, who, thankfully, was prepared to ignore the hooting of a hostile 75,000 crowd and

promptly penalized any Roma-

Marginean and Nicolae were

cautioned, making a total of six bookings in the tie, and Nicolas

also cautioned in the first leg,

was lucky not to be sent off for

persistently fouling Rush, who retaliated in the ideal manner;

he scored first after only 12

minutes, and again in the 84th,

victories.

nian excess.

On an awkward pitch in

Dinamo Bucharest.

Mexico City (Agencies) - Mexico have unveiled their mascot for the 1986 World Cup tournament - a smiling green chilli pepper wearing a moustache and a sombrero (picture

Called "Pique," a Mexican slang word for the will to win, the mascot wears a red and white football strip and leans on an oversized football.

The logo for the tournament is two blue and white maps of the world - one of the eastern

TUESDAY'S RESULTS FIRST DIVISION: Watford 1, Southampton 1
SECOND DIVISION: Leeds United 2, Olcham
Athletic 0; Portsmouth 2, Chelsea 2,
Strewebury Town 2, Swansac City 0
THRID DIVISION: Ecumemouth 3, Orient 2:
Preston North End 1, Scunthorpe United 0;
Preston North End 1, Scunthorpe United 0;
Preston North End 1, Scunthorpe United 0;
Posterior United 3, Port Vale 1.
FOURTH DIVISION: Donocaster Rovers 3,
Darlington 2; Mansfield Town 3, Chester City 1;
Peterborough United 6, Northempton Town 0.
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS CUP: Courter-final
(Southampton section): Plymouth Argyle 2,
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CZECHOSLOSOVAK LEAGUE: Sloven
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Leading scorers FIRST INVISION: I Push (Liverpoot) 39: S Archibeld (Totanham) 25: T Christa (Notis County) 22: A Whodekock (Arasma) 21: SECOND DIVISION: K Duon (Chebasa) 29: K Koopan (Novicastle) 28: M Hateley (Portsmouth) 22: S Garner (Blackburn) 22; M Claim (Oldham, 17 for Specieport) 21; G Davies (Fuffram) 21.

r werelijs (1.) THIRD DIVISION: K Edwards (Shelf Und) 40; A Cork (Wintbledon) 31; J Aldridge (Oxford, 28 for Newport) 28; 5 Biggins (Oxford) 23; A Caldrell (Botton) 23; S Cammack (Scumhorpe) 23; F Joseph (Brentford) 23. FOURTH DIVISION: 7 Senior (Reading) 37: A Adoock (Colchester) 30; J Byrne (York) 27; K Wahnen (York) 23. when their squad appeared city-suited half-an-hour before the kick-off to inspect the pitch; and the booing whistling and hooting was intense. In the subsequent warm-up, Souness, the alleged villain out

were threatened every other

moment. The mood was estab-

lished under weeping grey skies

Narey can do little but admire as Pruzzo scores his second goal

Liverpool rise above the

slings and arrows

second Eastern European Cup

here for an injury which kept Movila out of the match, was booed every time he touched the ball. Yet once the battle was joined, he, together with Lee, Hansen, Whelan and Neal in paticular, gave a performance of unbroken authority, and, moreover, helped create the first goal, which was critical in deflating Dinamo's balloon of

optimism and acrimony.
The pressure could have mounted when Orac, their outside left, scored with a cleverly bent free kick five minutes before half-time, after Lawrenson, close to the penalty area had rashly pushed an opponent. The opening goal came after

ambitions of becoming only the Souness, some 20 yards form goal, volleyed left to Rush, who beat Nicolae on the turn and finalists, the others being Partizan of Belgrade in 1966. artizan of Belgrade in 1966. threaded the ball past Moraru It was a match which for the fortieth goal of the required skill and a calm nerve, season, his 100th for the club from Liverpool, for their lines and one of his most importent yet. The kicking continued, but Liverpool drew on the morale of that invaluable away goal. Rush was getting little support from Dalglish, who ought to have scored just after Dinamo's equilizer.

> A quarter of an hour from the end. Rush was pulled off the ball by his shirt in the penalty area, apparently unseen by the referee; but he was to have his revenge. Lee made a glorious opening with a crossfield ball to Whelan, who turned the ball into the penalty area. Nicolae dived to try and head clear, but Rush darted round him to put the ball away. Roma must know that Liverpool will play them on their own pitch on May 30 without a shred of inferiority.

DINAMO BUCHAREST: D Moraru, M Radnic, N Stanescu, I Augustin, A Nicolea, I Marin, C Talmar, N Marginean, A Drangner, V Turcu, C Orac (sub: LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelzer, P Neal, A

Kennedy, M Lawrenson, R Whelan, A Hansen, K Dalglish, (sub: S Nichol); S Lee, I Rush, C Johnson, G Souness. Referee: D Pauli (WG).

Chairman defends detention

The Portsmouth chairman, John Deacon, has defended the decision to keep 8,000 Chelsea supporters behind for 40 minutes after Tuesday night's 2-2 second division draw at Fratton

As the Chelsea crowd grew impatient, about 500 wooden seats from the east wing of the South Stand were hurled at police and their dogs on the pitch below. Behind the Wilton Road end of the ground, wire fencing and barriers were broken down. Deacon said: "I realize some

people are saying we should have let them go immediately and there would have been none of this damage. But it would have been irresponsible because our own supporters were leaving the ground at the other end and there could have been some nasty scenes.

Deacon continued: "In any case it is standard practice to keep opposition fans behind for half an hour so that police can

prevent any battles. Eight people appeared in court yesterday in Portsmouth charged with public order

Watford still looking for a League win

Watford, who meet Everton in the FA Cup Final at Wembley on May 19, are still looking for their first League win since March 20. Southampton's Armstrong cel-chrated his England recall by scoring his club's sixty-eighth minute equalizer at Vicarage Road, on Tuesday, to extend Watford's run of first division matches without victory to six. Johnston had jut Watford ahead with a sixteenth minute header - his twenty-first goal for the club.

linked by a red and white football.

green.
The designs were chosen in a

contest open to the public which

prompted 11,140 mascots and 6,325

logos.

Ruben Hernandez, a lawyer, designed the winning logo, while a group of six young Mexican graphic designers created "Pique." (pro-

Chelsea were ready to celebrate promotion from the second division when they took a 2-0 lead at Portsmouth in 56 minutes but the home side came back to snatch a point and almost won. Thomas and Nevin (penalty) had the 8,000 travelling Chelsea supporters cheer-ing prematurely; but Biley and Dillon put Portsmouth level. Swansea were doomed to the third division when Cross scored a goal in each half for Shrewsbury; and Oldham's relegation fears increased when they lost 2-0 at Leeds. Lorimer scored Leeds's second from a penalty which gave him a club record of 155 goals in the

Hearings sought

Reading and Bristol City have both asked the Football Association for personal hearings into the crowd disturbacness at Elm Park on April 7. An FA spokesman said yesterday: "A disciplinary commission will meet a Reading at a date that should



Armstrong: celebratory goal

Sheffield United pressed their third division promotion claims with a 3-1 defeat of Port Vale and Donesser enhanced their chances of moving out of the fourth division when they beat Darlington 3-2. Snodin scored a first-half penalty and his brother Glynn added two cond-balf goals.

Sheffield signings

Gary Hetherington, manager of the new Sheffield rugby league club, Alan Rhodes, the former Feathers-tone Rovers back row forward, has tone kovers sack row forward. has been appointed coach and Stan Timmins, who has played rugby union for Cornwall, will be the trainer.

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United lose their place in the fog

From Stuart Jones Football Correspondent Turin

Manchester United.

(Juventus won 3-2 on aggregate) A goal one minute from the end scored by Rossi, the Italian World

Cup hero, saw Juventus through to a European Cup Winners' Cup Final meeting with Porto, conquerors of Aberdeen, in Basic next month. When clubs of such dazzling magnitude and popularity are brought together the occasion is sure to be speciacular, perhaps explosive.
The crowd paid record receipts of an

estimated £500,000 to see it, although many missed the initial 10 Hughes, preferred to Whiteside and shadowed by the uncompromis-ing Gentile, opened with a promising flourish. First the side

promising flourish. First the side netting and then the outstretched hand of Tacconi denied him from giving United a precious lead.

But as the white fog lifted United's sight of a place in the final was instantly clouded. Plantini, the majestic Frenchman, released Boniek, the fleet-footed Pole, and although Albiston tried desperately to match him for speed Boniek ran on kept control and composure to on, kept control and composure to lift the ball gently wide of Bailey's

tus also began to destroy the hopes of Aston Villa in last season's European Cup here in the thirteenth minute. Nor was that the only moment when United's goalkeeper was forced to emerge from his area to smother danger. Before the interval he thwarted first Bonini Given the encouragement of a

goal the Italians in general and Platini in particular can be mercurial. With flicks of pure arrogance and back-heels of sheer impudence. Juventus flowed with all of their delightful artistry and threatened to increase their advan tage. Platini, in one way or another

for one illegitimate attempt to stop him but he refused to be intimidated. Later held back by Duxbury, he was still able to free Rossi and then, exchanging non chantly with Tardelli on the edge of the area, he brought Bailey to his

Yet, after Rossi had almost accepted another of Platini's invitations to score, United drew level in the seventieth minute. Albiston caused the initial problem with a low cross and McGrath's shot rebounded off Tardelli into the path of Whiteside, who had come on for Stapleton. His drive was emphatic.

JUVENTUS: S Taccord; C Gentile, A Cabrini, M Borkni, S Brio, G Scirsa, B Vignola, M Tardell, P Rosel, M Platini, Z Borslek, BANCHESTER UNIVER: B. Balley; M Duxbury, A Albistori, R Wilfers, K Moran, G Hogg, P McGrath, R Moses, F Stapleton, M Hughes, A

Forest fall Anderlecht 3, Nottingham F 0

Nottingham Forest were knocked

out of the UEFA Cup last night, beaten by a goal two minutes from time in Belgium.

Brian Clough's side lost 3-0 on the night, through goals by Scifo in the eighteenth minute, Brylle with a fifty-ninth-minute penalty and Vandenburgh with the winner on eighty-eight minutes.

Aberdeen out

Aberdeen. 0 Porto. 1 (Porto win 2-0 on aggregate)

Aberdeen, to many people's surprise, are out of the European Cup Winners' Cup, beaten 1-0 at home by Porto last night.

The Dons, 1-0 down from the first leg, were frantically seeking a goal from the outset. It nearly came via McChee in the tenth minute. goal from the obliset. It nearly came via McGhee in the tenth minute, but his shot was blocked by Eurico. Two minutes later Black hit the side netting and then McLeish headed

wide. Zebeto, the Portugese goalkeeper saved well from McGhee and Aberdeen were denied a penalty when Eurice appeared to handle the Four minutes into the second half

Hewitt's header was cleared off the line by Pereira. As frustration crept into Aberdeen's play, Porto came close to snatching a crucial away goal. Rougvie, the Aberdeen full back, lost the ball to Magalhaes, whose cross found Gomes a yard out. However, the Porto striker could only flick the ball with his head. But Aberdeen's luck run out when Silva scored for Porto.

Three banned after brawl in Singapore

Singapore (Agencies) - Two players and an official were banned yesterday from the Asia-Oceania pre-Olympic football tournament after a brawl during Monday night's match between Iraq and Qatar at the Singapore national stadium. Iraq's midfield player Haris Mohammed Hussan and Qatar's

reserve, Manaa Soud, 18, were expelled by an international football association (FIFA) disciplinary committee. Hussan was found guilty of having kicked Zhang Daqiao of China who refereed the match, which ended in a 2-0 win for Qatar. The Iraqi team doctor. Sameer Muhdi, was also found guilty of "threateningly entering the field of play armed with a wooden placard".

guilty of "running into the field of play from the bench and involving himself in fracas which led to a general free-for-all". Riot police were called on to the pitch to control the fray among players from both Hussan's expulsion meant that he

will miss Iraq's match today against Malaysia. The committee is compelled by the circumstances to reprimend and warn Qatar and Iraq not to repeat or encourage similar incidents." the chairman said. Maradona on tour

Buenos Aires (AFP) - Diego Maradona will be in Argentina's squad for their short European tour in September. Argentina's main maiches are against West Germany

Bruno can mix it with top 10

BOXING

nceship apparently completed, his loyal supporters may see no more than half a dozen rounds of him during the cureent year. His total exposure thus far in 1984 amounts o 67 seconds, the time it took him to beat the Argentine champion. Juan Figueroa, last month.

If that contest was a mismatch the customers were not given long to broad over it before Bruno's next nt had been announced. He meets the picturesquely named Bonecrusher Smith at Wembley on May 13 - on a Sunday night to accommodate American television and it will be surprising if Smith matches up to his name.

Brune should catch up with him

sooner or later - and it may as well be sooner. Smith comes with the eputation of a hitter, so the curtain is almost certain to come down early, one way or the other. No prizes for guessing which way... Unless he has a bout in American

in the summer, Bruno will probably not be seen again until September at He is such a genuine puncher that none of his bouts against the present quality of opposition is likely to last

the distance.

If there are plans to improve Bruno's standard of opposition, Bruno's standard of opposition, they will probably include Trevor Berbick, the Canadian who boxed here last month and looked highly competent without being in the least bit dangerous. He is No 5 in the World Boxing Council list of contenders and must represent the best path into the top 10, which must be Bruno's ambition for 1984. The alleged best 10 heavyweights in the world do not cause the heart to best any faster, they are a modely to beat any faster, they are a motley to beat any laster, they are a money trew compared with some of the great heavyweight collections in the past. Tim Witherspoon is champion and behind him come Greg Page. Mike Dokes, Mike Weaver, Pinklon Thomas (who?). Trevor Berbick, David Bey, Jeff Sims, Lucien Rodriguez, Randy Cobb and Rengled Snipes.

Put Bruno among the lot and he could do some serious damage. So hough he has yet to beat a quality

SNOCKER

Mountjoy promises tougher challenge Dennis Taylor swept into the

the challenge of one aspiring young player to face yet another in the Embassy world professional chamintroassy, world professional cham-pionship at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, yesterday, Mountjoy the Nö; 12 seed, defeated Mike Hallett aged 24, from Grimsby, 10-4 with a string of sparkling breaks and now plays Neal Foulds the conqueror of Alex Higgins, in the second round

But Mountjoy, promised Foulds a ougher challenge than Higgins ffered.

Hallett, trailing 6-3 overnight, enabled him to beat the world champion, Steve Davis last October in the Professional Players Tourna-

He won the first frame yesterday. then Mountjoy took complete control and won the next two, he had breaks of 68 and a 54 (clearance) to win the 13th frame, 22-1, then clinched the match by winting the next 80-31.

second round by trouncing Joe Johnson, of Bradford, 10-1 and then said: "That wasn't bad for a 150 to one shot!" The Blackburnbased Irishman, No 13 seed, was back to something like his best form after a dismal start to the season.

Taylor led 8-1 overnight.
Taylor, who finished runner-up in the Professional Snooker League, added: "I've been playing much better in the last couple of months. partly thanks to the league which was tremendous practice and I had some great results to boost my confidence for the world champion-

John Virgo allowed a 3-1 lead to turn into a 6-3 deficit against Willie Thome, of Leicestershire. spectacular break-builders, won the first frame but Virgo took the next

FIRST ROUND: D Mountjoy bt M Hallett 10-4; Demis Taylor bt J Johnson 10-1; W Thome leads J Virgo 5-3. TUESDAY'S RESULT: J White bt R Williams

Nürburgring back on starting grid

Nürburgring, (Reuter) - West
Germany's twisting Nürburgring to make the circuit fit again for circuit, once notorious for a series of formula one. Drivers complained that the old circuit, which dropped for a safe return of Formula One

cyclists in the past 50 years, In its place is a 2.5-miles conventional cirnit which will be offically opened on May 12 and will see its first Grand Prix race for eight years on October 7.

Formula One drivers boycotted

champion Niki Lauda. of Austria, was badly burned in a crash there during the 1976 Grand Prix. The decision prompted a large redevelop-ment of the circuit easily the longest snake round 73 heads through the pine-covered Eifel hills.

Developers invested around £20m in shortening the track and present, in identical Mercedes 190 sport cars.

motor racing.

Gone is the winding 14.2-mile and that it took too much time for track which has claimed the lives of emergency services to reach the more than 140 drivers and motor. emergency services to reach the scene of accidents. Developers have built new pits.

renovated spectator stands and vastly improved safety measures by widening the track and introducing better fencing.

An estimated 150,000 people will still be able to watch races at the new track with its new and modest quota of 14 bends.

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FOR THE RECORD

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NATIONAL LEAGUE: Prosburgh Pirates 3, Philadelphia Philips 2; Atlanta Braves 4, Cindingsti Reds 2; Chicago Cuba 3, St Louis Cardinals 2; San Diego Patras 6, San Francisco Giants 1; Los Angeles Dodgers 5, Houston Astros 3.

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96 (series level 2-2).

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ATHLETICS BOARDSAILING

TERRACINA, Raig: World team champon-shop: First secs: 1. Australia 4pts; 2, France. Italy 1. Netherlands; 2, Austra 2, Austra 2, au 3. Second rece: 1, Italy 2, 4pts; 2, hely 3, United States, Deciment 1, all 3. Other placing: 7 equal . Britain, 1.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE: Playofts (best-of-seven
semi-final senes); Montreal Canadises 3, New
York Islanders 0, (adomited lead series, 1-0):
Etimonton Ollers 7, Minnesota North Stars 1.
(Edmonton lead 1-0). TENNIS

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5.64. HAMPSTEAD: Hard court tournament: Men's singles third round: R Whichello In P Hand, 6-3.6-3; P Campbet (Jam) in D Johnson (S/I.6-1.16-4.1 Turner In J Godfrey, 6-4.6-1; R Jettreys Ix D Sharn, 5-7.6-3, 6-3; S Kruger (SA) it M Bray, 6-0, 6-5: J Gootslet oit M Colleys, 6-4.6-2; M Mesoncamp (SA) it M Wisker, 6-2.6-2; J Whiteford Ix S Richards, 6-4, 6-1; Fourth round: In Futwood In Whichello, 6-1, 6-1; S Balle Ix Goodall, 6-2, 7-6.

SNOW REPORT

SCOTLAND: Collingormae Upper and middle runs: runs complete. Wide cover of spring show, Lower slopes: runs almost complete. Wet snow Vertical runs: 1800ft. His and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2000ft. Glemaheer. Upper and middle runs: some runs complete. spring snow on a fam base. Lower slopes instead surfacy areas, spring snow on a fam base. Vertical runs; 1900ft. Hill and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2000ft. Glemaner. No report.

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RUGBY UNION

Midland outsiders decide to make the best of it

While Bristol and Bath instead of the unavailable contest the final of the John England colt, Parsons.

Player Cup at Twickenham on Wakefield, who play Head-Saturday, two former winners of the knockout competition will meet at Goldington Road, where Bedford entertain Coventry in their final match of the season. Bedford were due to play Bath and Coventry to play Bristol; with the two West Country clubs reaching the cup final, the Midland pair came to the logical conclusion that they should meet each other, albeit for the third time this season, Coventry having won both games by a narrow margin.

Both clubs are in the throes of clecting a new captain: the Bedford players met last night and it is expected that Peck, the present captain and scrum half, will be confirmed for another vear. Covenity's players meet tonight to consider three nominees as successor to Thomas, who stands down after two

Thomas, scrum half and goalkicker, has not been lucky with injuries this year and missed a vital two months over the New Year period. In his absence, Malik, the former Cambridge University flanker, has done an excellent job of leading the side and his name will be considered tonight along with those o Brain, the hooker who goes to South Africa with England next month, and Johnson, the prop

forward. Another Midland club who have held the John Player Cup. if only on a shared basis with Gloucester in 1982, are Moseley, who restore Perry to the side which plays Wakefield atthe Reddings on Saturday. Perry, who has been absent for a month with an injured shouldcr. resumes not at stand-off or centre, his more accustomed positions, but on the wing,

Wakefield, who play Head-ingley tonight in the Yorkshire Cup final at Otley, will be without Barley, their England centre, who is still nursing the damaged knee which has prevented him from playing this month.

The game between London and Paris at Wasps on Sunday, sponsored by the Kyle Stewart Group, should contain a host of attractive runners, among them the French B full back, Claude Haget, who is to play at standoff, and his colleague from the Paris University Club, Faget, a France R control France B centre.

The bulk of the Paris side are likely to be drawn from the PUC club, for whom Henderson, the Rosslyn Park and England under-23 prop, played in the equivalent fixture two years ago. He was then on release from Durham University; now he plays in London's front row.

Another invitation team comes together on Sunday under the umbrella of R. F. Oakes's International XV which meets Hartlepool Rovers. The fixture has been played since

Bégu back in favour

Paris (Reuter) - Jacques egu, who played in last season's five nations championship but was left out of the squad to tour New Zealand, was named in a 24-strong French rugby union squad announced here yesterday to face Poland on May 16 and the Soviet Union on May 20.

SQUAD: Alabarbe, Onderis, Roman Bortolucci, Ferrugia, Carpentier, Pelbu, Wolff, Bourben, Dala Riva, Fauvel, Janeczos Tonon, Modin, Sars, Camberabero, Bág Foulget, Psytavin, Barbotsau, Enriqu Faugeron, Lont, Lescure.

TENNIS

Sundstrom brought back down to earth

Dallas (Reuter) - Henrik Sundstrom, of Sweden, winner of the Monte Carlo Open on Sunday, came down to earth on Tuesday evening when he was knocked out of the World Championship Tennis finals in the first round. He was beaten by Eliot Teltscher, of the United States, 6-2, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2,

Sundstrom, aged 20, only qualified for this event after winning in Monaco, but he could not make the adjustment from slow clay to the fast indoor surface here, and Teltscher wore him down with the accuracy of his game. Teltscher will meet Jimmy Arlas, the third seed, in

the quarter-finals. The other late entry into this event, Tim Moyotte, of the United States, fared better in the first match of the evening, beating Tomas Smid, of Czechoslovakia, 6-2, 4-6,

-n. n-y. RESULTS: First Round: E Teltscher (US) bt H Sundstrom (Swe), 6-2, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2; T Mayotte (US) bt T Smid (Czech), 8-2, 4-6, 7-6, 6-3.

●Lake Buena Vista, Florida, (Reuter) - Martina Navratilova, fresh from beating Chirs Lloyd in the final of the Amelia Island tournament on Sunday, defeated Kim Shaefer 6-1 6-2 in the second



Teltscher: hard-won victory

round of the Tournament of Champions here on Tuesday.
RESULTS: First Round: Temesvari (Huri) bt
Sayers (Aus) 6-2, 6-3. K. Hornath (US) bt E
inque (Jap) 0-8, 6-2, 6-0; J. Kitch (US) bt
Russell (US) 5-3, 8-7, 6-3. T. Scheur-Larsen
(On) bt Fairbank (SA) 6-0, 8-0; J. Mundez (SA)
bt K. Smith (Aus) 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; F. Bonsignori (t)
bt A. Moulton (US) 6-4, 6-4.
Second Round M. Navratilova (US) bt K.
Shaeter, (US) 6-1, 6-2. Champions here on Tuesday.

Miss Godman up a step

Sally Godman, whose on-court into the net and, thereafter, the attitude often suggests she is result was never in doubt.

Sean Wilkins. from Hertfordable all the way as she beat Jenny Reeves, the sixth seed, 6-3, 6-2, to take her place in the quarter-finals of the 16 and under British hard court championships, sponsored by Prudential, at Edgbaston Archery

Over the past few months, the Surrey girl, who has another year to play in this age Group, has been working hard on her footwork under of Shirley Brasher. She played a thoroughly good match to edge past Katie Rickett of Warwick-shire, in the second round and her victory over Miss Reeves confirmed she had taken a step forward. As she did against Amanda Nall

in the second round, Jane Wood created a tense situation for herself against Caroline Bhaguandas. It was at 1-3 in the decider that this strong coungster suddenly started to slam her forehand in court rather than shire, who says that his tempera-ment has been "sorted out" by Christopher Bradnam, the British closed champion, defeated Laurence Matthews, the third seed. In what will be a repeat of the recent East Regional final, Wilkins meets Alex Rouse, from Essex. In a week when the Lawn Tennis

Association has been handing out all the usual warnings and penalty points, few competitors could resist a smile at the news that a peacock from the neighbouring botanical gardens had attacked an LTA rvisor's car, creating havoc with

BOY'S SNGLES: Third round: 8 Wilkins bt L. Metthews. 6-4, 6-4; A Rouse bt D Roberts, 7-5, 6-2; G Spaiding bt C Brown, 6-1, 6-4; A Hurbing bt V Ranson, 6-0, 6-3. GRLS' SINGLES: Third round: J Wood bt C Braguendas, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3; V Lake bt P Marlow, 6-3, 6-1; S Godman bt J Reeves, 6-3, 6-2; T Catin bt J Donovan, 6-1, 6-1.

Noah defends against top nine

Paris (Reuter) - The world's top Kriek, of the US, who is ranked No 10 players, with the exception of 13, were leading names absent from Kevin Carren, of South Africa, will a list containing 104 of the top male. take part in the French Open championships, the first of this year's grand slam tournament, from May 28 to June 10. Yamick Noah, who last year became the first French man to win the title since 1946, will defend it.

players.
Other absentees were thre Americans, Bill Scanlon, ranked seventeenth, and the brothers Sandy Nay 28 to June 10. Yannick Noah, who last year became the first French man to win the title since 1946, will defend it.
Curren, No 10 in the Association of Tennis Professionals standing, and the South African-born Johan

IN BRIEF

Blue Dragons to get a welcome in the Vale

Cardiff Blue Dragons will make a brief missionary journey next sabbath (Keith Macklin writes). They will travel into the valleys to play their League game against Huyton at the Eugene Cross Park ground Ebbw Vale, at the invitation of the mayor of Blaenau Gwent.

6 The short lists for the Man of Steel awards, the highest in the game, have been announced. The ceremony takes place at Salford on May 9th. Awards of £1,500 go to the individual from five categories deemed o have done most for the game in 1983-84. Two players Lydon (Widnes) and Schofield (Hull) - appear in two categories, inst division player and young rist division player and young player. Among the nominees for referce of the year is Billy Thompson, who retires after the Wembley Cup final, his last game.

FOOTBALL: The troubled North American Soccer League (NASL) will continue this season, despite will continue this season, despite fears that the competition might end. League officials have agreed with the players' union to a reduction in players' salaries in the nine surviving clubs of 10 per cent each year antil 1986.

RACE WALKING: Olga Krishtop of the Soviet Union has cut five seconds off the women's world record for the five-kilometre road won a race in Armavir in

22min & Rec. YACHTING: Yale University Yacht Club is to mount a challenge for the America's Cup. The challenge will come from the Yale Corinthian Yacht Club, an undergraduate sports organization, which has cabled the Royal Perth Yacht Club in Australia on behalf of its 12metre, Courageous II.

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RACING: HARWOOD-TRAINED KANZ STAMPS HERSELF AS OAKS CANDIDATE

Carson bounces back with double

The four-day suspension slapped on Willie Carson by the Epsom stewards on Tuesday seemed to sting him into almost superhuman form there yester-day. In winning the two main races, the Princess Elizabeth Stakes and Warren Stakes, on Kanz and Great Western, Carson showed that even if a small minority of jockeys have temporarily besmirched the good name of his profession, here is one member who give his backers 110 per cent every

bookmakers would surely have offered you a fancy price about Kanz as she turned into the straight in eighth place with Carson's arms pumping away furiously, as they had been from fully a mile out. With two furlongs to go

Even the most miserly of

Lallax, the early pacemaker, had surrendered the lead to Ophrys. Henry Cecil's filly was in turn swiftly swallowed up by Katies, who stormed into a clear lead and looked a certain At this point Kanz was about

seventh on the outside and Carson's continued cajoling looked futile. Suddenly how ever, Kanz moved up a gear, roared up 10 join Katies and moved into overdrive to race away from her and Triagonal, who edged into-second place. Guy Harwood, Kanz's train-

r, was not at all surprised by this win, or the manner of it. "I've always thought she's a very good filly," he said, "but she needs a trip."

The Pulborough trainer added that that was precisely the reason why Kanz had appeared to run so disappointingly behind Mahogany when favourite at Newmaet last October. They simply went too fast for her over too short a trip.

A return to Epsom in June

for the Oaks, for which she is quoted at between 16-1 and 20-, is now definitely on for Kanz. She will have one more run beforehand, but whether this daughter of The Minstrel, who is also related to the Oaks winner Time Charter, on her dam's side, good enough to win the classic herself is impossible to gauge with so many other good fillies yet to show themselves. One thing is certain though and that is that even if the big one cludes her. Kanz's remarkable powers of acceler-



Great Western edges ahead of the nosebanded At Talaq in the Warren Stakes at Epsom yesterday. (Photograph: Chris Cole).

more good prizes.

were covered in perspiration again as he returned triumphantly on Great Western after the Warren Stakes. This time, however, it was not mere power and perserverence that left the champion exhausted in the brilliant sunshine. Carson exhi-bited great senstitivity and poise as well on John Dunlop's

Great Westerm had to be driven up to challenge At Talaq who had taken over from Van Dyke Brown three furlongs from home. However, just when he was about to assert his superiority. Great Western began to hand in towards his rival, as so may horses do on the Epsom camber. Carson then put down his

ation seem sure to carry her to whip, straightened his mount of the William Hill Futurity in up and pushed Great Western Carson's suntanned features gently ahead with hands and heels in the last 100 yards. It was an object lesson for any young rider about to takele the

notorious Surrey switchback. paid a compliment to the form Glory.

which he was sixth to Alphabatim, is not entered in the Derby, but could be chasing lire in the Italial equivalent, Before that the Chester Vase is the target for Great Western, who Great Western, whose victory remarkably for a son of Hittite

Saint-Martin tops 3,000

From Desmond Stoneham, Paris

Yves Saint-Martin won his 3,000th race when he partnered Bruce McNall's Somjam Gold to victory in the Prix Flying Fox at Saint-Cloud yesterday. The 15-times French champion jockey said of his historic victory: "I am feeling great and intend to be in the saddle for many more wars."

winner at Le Tremblay when carrying the famous Volterra colours into the winners' enclosure on Roylaic. Born at Ajen on September 8, 1941, Saint-Martin has won virtually every classic in Europe and he considered his greatest moment was in 1970 when he rode Sassaffas to heat Nijijingky. for many more years."
Saint-Martin has come a long way

since April 20, 1958 when he fell on his first public ride at Soissons. Three months later he rode his first

he rode Sassafras to beat Nijinsky Andre Sabre said that his Poule d'Essai des Poulains winner, Siberian Express, will next race in the St James's Palace Stakes

Dickinson bids an early farewell to National Hunt

Michael Dickinson, champion trainer for the past two seasons and leading trainer this term, is retiring from National Hunt racing at the end of the season to prepare for his new job as private Flat trainer for Robert Sangster.

When news broke last November of his decision to team up with Mr. Sangster, Dickinson announced that he would be carrying on training jumpers at Harewood until the end of the 1984-85 season. But he has now decided to leave National Hunt racing a year earlier than scheduled. He moves south this summer to give himself more time and opportunity to plan for his challenging new role. The former jockey and past Champion amatour, aged 34, said: "I have come to realize that with all the responsibilities of my new job it will become increasingly difficult for me to train National Hunt Horses, and at the same time try to prepare for my new career."

Saddles his first runners on the flat.

Dickinson said: "There is a lot of work to be done for the future. I will be

and at the same time try to prepare for my new career."

He added: "I would like to familiarize myself with the Flat industry and the people involved in it, to assist with the transformation it, to assist with the transformation from jump trainer to Flat trainer. Of course, I have regrets leaving behind my jumpers, but I'm looking forward to my new job. British Flat racing is probably the most competitive in the world, and it will be a big test for

Although Dickinson's move has been brought forward a year, he will still wait antil 1986 before he

Three winners on Easter Monday took his tally in four seasons to a remarkable 368, and prize money of well over £1m. Those victories have included three King George VI Chases, two Cheltenham Gold Caps, and three Queen Mother Champion Chase triumphs, in addition to 12 winners in a single afternoon on Boxing Day, 1982.

Dickinson said "My parents are

Dickinson said "My parents are going to carry on at Harewood with a reduced string, although it has not yet been decided whether mum or dad will hold the licence."

Ashley Rocket for a perfect landing

Ashley Rocket is napped to win this afternoon's Buttercross Handi-cap at Pontefract. Last season the astute Wilie Musson placed the Roan Rocket colt to land gambles in sellers at Goodwood and Doncaster. Connections had to bid up to 9,600 guineas to retain the two-year-old on the second of the occasions.

At Newmarket last week Ashley Rocket gave conclusive evidence that he is still on the upgrade when coming home strongly to finish second to Native Charmer. Reg Hollinshead considers the winner to be one of the best handicapped horses in training. That was Ashley Rocket's first appearance in public since last May and he can be expected to show improvement on

Sully's Choice, Vanishing Trick and Go Bananas are others to be considered. Sully's Choice ran with credit when second to Meeson King in a similar race at Thirsk when

Vanishing Trick was noted finishing well to take fifth place. The first qualifying round of the Pontefract Mile Championship looks an open affair. Bounty Hawk chased home Creag-An-Sgor at York last July, however Bill Elsey's High Top colt was a disappointing favourite when only fourth behind Bernini at Nottingham. Well Rigged

and Aesculapius both have to be

considered, but the choice is

Incisive, who was only beaten a head by Tappint Wood on his reappearance at Beverley.

Matt McCormack appears to be in with a sound chance of landing a double on the South Vorkehira track. double on the South Yorkshire track with Taffy Jones and Al-Astakaa. Taffy Jones incurred a 4lb penalty for beating The Friend by two lengths at Brighton and should have most to fear from Wild Rush and Frasas in the Barbican Handicap Stakes. The lightly raced Al-Astakaa performed with credit when fourth to Trwyn Cian at Folkestone

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TAUNTON

2.0 YARCOMBE NOVICE HURDLE (Div I: £578: 2m 1f) (9 runners)

1983: (2m 3f) Patmore 6-11-5 B Reilly (6-5 fav) G Beiding 18 ran.

1963: (2m) Another Joe 6-9-7 L Bioconfield (50-1) W Siseman 14 ran.

11-4 Mandriano, 7-2 Simon Vollvar, 9-2 Princese Isla, No Fluke, 8 Flori Wonder, 8 Nestor Man,

Taunton selections

By Mandarin 2.0 Shout. 2.30 Mandriano. 3.0 Riva Be Good. 3.30 Deadly Going. 4.0

1963: No corresponding race. Evens Riva Be Good, 7-2 Pacific Scartder, 5 Genter Star, 7 Peter Anthony, 9 Heyer, 12 others.

4.0 JANIE HUSBANDS CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£1, 381:

3.0 *** ODY MAN CUP HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,494: 2m 1f) (10)

DOY MAN CUP HANDICAP HURDLE [21,454; 2m]

pp0 HEVER (C.D.) (B) (Mrs P Fasey) M Pipe 9-11-7

pp0 GARTER STAR (D) (Mrs D Chappel) B Forsey 6-10-12

gar RVA 8E GOOD (M Pry) O O'Neil 7-10-10 (5 ex)

pp0 PETER ANTHONY (R Hickman) R Hickman 6-10-6

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3.30 YARCOMBE NOVICE HURDLE (Div II: £592: 2m 1f) (11)

1982: (2m 35) Dallyny 5-11-11 J. Lovejoy (2-1 fav) P Haynes 19 ran.
1-2 Deadly Going, 8-2 Helvic, 8 Serrdy Looks, 11 Irah Corn, 14 Eirose, 15 others.

9-4 Culm Valley, 3 Shout, 4 Conor's Rock, 6 Baltina, Firm Evaluation, 10 Speed Lin, 14 others

2.30 PICKERIDGE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£477: 2m 1f) (9)

DEFORMING SELLING TRANSHAME FIGURE [2-11.0]

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000-043 SENON BOLIVAR (BF) (Hittlebts Farming) E Witts 5-11-3

0-01040 MARY MUDDLE (C) (R Earle) M Pipe 6-11-2

010480 MARY MUDDLE (C) (R Turker) D Tucker] 4-11-1

002300 FLORI WONDER (R Mangon) R Atidns 4-10-12

00010 SALTCOTE MOSS ROSE (C Popham) C Popham 4-10-5

p04900 MESTOR MAN (D Barnee) Mass P O'Connor 4-10-5

Aniramsky, 4.30 Rose d'Amour, 5.0 Board Line,

ONO SPEED UP (M Pearso) I Wards 4-10-7

PONTEFRACT

DRAW: Low numbers best

2.45 ROPERGATE MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-y-o: £1,446: 5f) (18



1983: Lak Lustre 9-3 E Hide (1-4 law) R Fisher 5 ran. 11-10 Sandy Reef, 4 Full Beam, 5 Mrs Chris, 13-2 Pokey, 8 Samantha Fox, 9 Comtec Prince,

16 others.

FORM: MRS CHRIS (7-10) finished just under 51 4th to Boardman's Glory (7-10) at Pipon (61, 21955, good, Apr 15). Wit? WORK (7-7) beaten a further 31/4 in 8th. FULL BEAM (7-10) Al away in 8th. ANAXLOON (7-10). CROFTERS HABIT (7-11), SCHOON (7-9) and SOUND WORK (7-7) all unpload, SANDY REEF (8-0) beaten a neck by Gardas Glory (8-0) at Hamilton (51, 2543, good to unpisced, SANDY REEF (1 soft, Apr 10). Selection: SANDY REEF.

Pontefract selections

By Mandarin 2.45 Mrs Chris. 3.15 Scottische. 3.45 ASHLEY ROCKET (nap). 4.15 Incisive. 4.45 Taffy Jones. 5.15 Al-Astakaa. By Michael Seely

2.45 Sandy Reef. 3.45 ASHLEY ROCKET (nap). 4.15 Bounty Hawk.

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3.15	CORN	MARKET SELLING HANDICAP (£665: 1m 2f) (14)
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4	00-40	SI GABY (E Zaccour) S Norton 3-9-6 Lowe 3
Ġ	00/000-	SCOTTISCHE (G Posner) P Hastert 4-9-2
7	4340-00	LA DI DA (Northumbria Leleure) W Storey 4-8-12M Wood 11
71	00100-0	LA PEPPER (P Dowson) J Etherington 3-8-10A Crook 12
13	000-0	KING SHARA (G Simpson) Mrs M Nesbitt 9-8-10
14	00000-0	SARENA PLASTICS (B) (Sarena Plastics) G Blum 4-8-10
15	-000	BLACK LABEL (Mrs D Lamb) Vickers 3-8-6D Micholis 6
17	3000-00	GAMVILLE LAD (T Ritson) R Whitsker 3-8-6S Perks 9
22	0000-6	ABE MY BOY (P Mellor) A Bakting 3-7-8A Mackey 4
23	00-00	QUEENSBURY LIZ (Mrs D Carvaho) D Dale 3-7-8
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		1983: Streamon 4-8-6 E Hide (4-1 jt fav) M Camacho 10 ran.
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12 King Shara, 14 Gairwille Lad, 16 others.

.45 BUTTERCROSS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,637: 6f) (12) 1 120049 HOLT ROW (5 Cooks) M McCormack 9-7 2 004300- BOCA RATCH (L Reh) J Berry 9-8		
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6 12200-0 SNOW CHILD (D) (Mrs R Cerson) Denys Smith 9-0	D Leadbitter 7	
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13 3340-00 JESTERS PET (T Bell) R Whiteker 8-5	K Derley	į
15 2400-43 GO BANANA'S (Mrs K Ivory) K Ivory 7-13	SJ Lowe	
16 B43040- STARLRENT LASS (R Bethell) P Calver 7-12		•

3 Ashley Rocket, 100-30 Top Ranker, Venishing Trick, 4 Hok Row, 5 Scow Child, 13-2 Fit The Jug. 7 Nette Bly, 10 Go Banana's, 12 Boca Paton, 18 others. **Epsom results**

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2,00 CUDDINGTON MAJDEN STAKES (2-y-o:

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Fisher) 8-9. — P Robinson (9-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 13-2 Balearica, 8 Mystrey Ship (8th), Ophrys Sth, Vidella 10 Lalax, Nie Empress, 12 Glammering, 50 Home Address (4th) Outward Girl 12mm, 3 sh-hd 21, 31 41, 11 G Harvecod at Pulborough.

TOTE: Wire \$8.00, Places: \$2.40, \$2.10, \$2.70, DF. \$13.20, CSF: \$45.79, 1m 44.82 sec. \$3.5 WARREN STAKES (3-y-c: \$7,817: 1m 41)

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Going: FIRM 2.45 (5): 1, STAR VIDEO (M Birch, 5-4): 2. Shoor Pool (J Mechinas, 8-11 tav): 3, Kahisa (N Comorton, 25-1). 3 cm. Fel, St. M McCormack at Wartings. Tota: £1.90. DF: £1.10. CSF. 22.34. 52.34.

3.15 (Str. 1. Minko VILLAGE IJ Bleendele, 10-1):

2. Jamp Jar (D. Nichede, 10-1): 3. Jan Wilmer (W. Ryan, 20-1): 4. Bloose Sampson (A. Meckey):

20-11. ALSO FAM: 9-2 few Masse Night, 5 Royal Outy (Str), Mess Balls, 10 Francion Glory (Str), 12 French Touch, Love Express, 14 Danzig, 16 Lucky Dutch, 20 Silica, Border Sport, Cappenter's Boy, Yasmeen, Dragon Rocket.

17 ran. NR: Holpaul. 16., Val. 1 %, 1%, 11. Thorston at McClainian. TOTE, 21.20; 23.00, 22.00, DR: 237.10. CSP: 237.29. TRICAST: 21.744.98. No bid. CHEKA by by Russian Bank - Sweet
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3.45 (2m 1f) 1. DANCANG AFFARI (J. Matthias, 4-5 law); 2. Clams (S. Keightley, 9-2) dead heated; 2. Night Eye (G. Duffeld, 2-1). Also nart 100 Silver Snow Mith). 4 ran. NPC Onc. 41, dd-ht. 301. I Backing at Kingschies. Totax 21.80; DF: Damoing Affair, Clana 21.80. Datioling Affair, Night Eye 60p. CSP. Damoing Affair, Clana 22.13, Dancing Affair, Night Eye 21.31.

Also Ran: B 19 Easter, 7 Dalbury (8th), 8 Asserter, 9 The Pewn (4th), 10 Nereida (5th), 14 Wordsworth, 16 Fighter Plot, 33 Gemon, Harry Geary Steels, 5 Japid. TOTE Wir: 25.30. Places: £1.90. £1.90. £2.80. DF: £11.50. CSF. £23.02. TRICAST: £239.08. Yel. 51. 22. 71. I Batting at Kingschare. 3rd 56,79sec. 13 ran. A Stewards Inquiry result etands. FORM: HOLT ROW unplaced last time, previowsly (9-6) 71/4 4th to Throne Of Glory (9-4) (Salisbury 6), £1,862, good to firm, Aug 11). BOCA RATON unplaced last 2 runs, seriler (8-13) 3rd to Forzando (3-7) (Haydock 6), £2,105, firm, Sept 2). NELLE BLY (8-13) 25 ½ last of 5 to Louise Moliton (8-6) (York 5), £3,003, heavy, May 12, FILL THE JUS (8-12) 38 th to Blackpool Belle (8-0) (Ripon 6), £1,427, good, Apr 18). ASHLEY ROCKET (7-7) 1½ 2nd to Native Charmer (9-0); (Newmarket 7), £4,155, good to firm, Apr 17), SULLYS CHOICE (8-8) 1½ 2nd to Meeson King (7-12) with VANISHMIN ETICK (9-7) a further 4 away in 5th and SNOW CHILD (9-2) 8th (Thirsk 5), £2,519, good, Apr 14). TOP RANKER (8-11) ½ winner from Miss Carte (8-5) (Nottinghem 6), £2899, good, Oct 24), GD BANANA'S (8-5) 1½ 3rd to Tom Forrester (8-8) (Lingfield 7), £1,872, good to soft, Apr 11).

SELECTION: ASHLEY ROCKET.

22,348: 1m) (20)

2. AESILAPUS (Mrs P Yong) P Haslam 9-0

3. ALYA CILEN (G Cumming) W Murson 9-0

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LA PAF (Mrs K Richardson) 8 Hobbs 8-11

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1995: Blue 4.15 PONTEFRACT MAIDEN MILE CHAMPIONSHIP (QUALIFIER) (3-yo: £2.348; 1m) (20)N Crowther
.....P Robinson
.....O Gray
.NON-RUNNER

13-4 Incisive, 100-30 Faridpour, 4 Well Rigged, 5 Boumty Hawk, 13-2 La Plaf, 8 Assuisplus, FORsi: AESCILAPRIS (9-0) 2 2nd to KAYUS (9-9) at Ayr (8t, 2321, good to firm, July 18). BOUNTY HAWK 4th over 1m 2f lest time, previously (8-5) 1½ 2nd to Hatled (8-5) at Ayr (8t, 2372, solt, Mer 27). FARIDIOUR disappointed after finishing 1½ 2nd (9-0) to Roise (9-0) at Notingham (6t, 2684, good to soft, Apr 2). BRUSSIVE (9-0) at Beverly (8t, 21,412, good to soft, Apr 3). WELL RIGGED (9-1) 10½ 4th. MASTER DRIVER (9-0) beaten further 1½ in 5m. ALVA CaLEN (9-0) and HARTSURIN SARAH (9-1) mot in first 10 behind Reuvel (8-11) at Thirsk (8t, 23,502, good, Apr 14). SELECTION: WELL RIGGED.

4.45 BARBICAN HANDICAP (£2.481: 1m 4f) (11) 13-8 Taffy Janes, 4 Wildrush, 5 Frasess, 13-2 Lady Tut. 8 Lady Ever-So-Sure, 9 See Dert, 10 Come Home, 12 Timesh, 16 others.

Kity Come Home, 12 Timestr, 16 others.

FORSE: TARFY JONES (6-5) best The Friend (8-5) 2! at Brighton (1m 4f. 22.194, good to firm, Apr
12). FRASASS (8-4) 4/4 4/h to Fivers Edge (8-0) at Thirsk (1m 4f. 22.285, good, Apr 14), when
ROSE CHARTER (7-7) tailed off lest of 13. TillusAH (8-3) just over 4/4/5 th to Some Lute (8-10) in
Brighton app event (1m 2f. 21.385, good to firm, Apr 12). LADY EVER-SO-6/ME, unplaced
Severiey Apr lest season (8-5) best Amende Meny (8-13) 1/4/1 in Redcar selling broap (1m 2f.
21.003, good, Nov 3). LADY 117 Warwick selling witner lest season, (7-12) 28 Eth Trickshtof (7-10) in Nothinghem if cap (2m, 21,444, good to soft, Apr 3). ALFE DICKINS (7-9) 3) 2nd to Zom at
Beverley (1m 4f, 21,231, good to firm, Sept 21), with LADY EVER-SO-SURE (7-12) further 2 away
4th.



Course specialists PONTEFRACT

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Ever Ready Derby Stakes Epocht; Agent Double, Pink, Truculent.

A.15 (1m 4t) 1, JACK BÄNESEY (R Cochrane, 5-2); 2, Bussoff (M Birch, 16-1); 3, Creaning Berry (B Jego, 12-1). Also rat: 7-4 fav Mister Pretatel (8th); 6 Abracao (4th), 10 Beauthui Sun, Coffee House (5th), 20 Leith Spring, 25 hd. M McCormack at Warnings, Tols: 23-90; 21-90, 22-10, 24-00. DP: 230.80. CSP: 257-87. PT.80, 22-10, 24.00. DP: 230.80, CSP: 237.87.
44.5 (Im) 1, PRINCE GUIARD (I Johnson, 8-1);
2, Facilish Ways (J Batding, 10-1); 3, RK Of A
State (M L Thomas, 8-1)
Also Raix 4 fav Capricom Salet, 5 Eastform, 8
Lymond, Sugar Loch (Bri), Adjusted (Shi), 11
High Port, 14 Fashbon, Lower (4th), Write Nile,
25 Exarvator Boy, 12 ran, NR: Tin Boy, Fedale
Flyer, 7, 11, 1½, Ind. 8, S. Matthews at Distort.
Tota: 210.40, 24.30, 24.90, 22.90. DP: 232.50.
CSP: 231.80, THICAST: 2511.87.
5.15 (8)
1, SUPER TRUP (J Masshins, 7-4 fav); 2, Young Knigst (M Birch, 11-2); 3, Kadesh (Fi Lines, 10-1).

TRAINERS: B Hills 12 winners from 32 numers, 37.5%; B Hobbs 9 from 27, 33.5%; M H Easterby 17 from 107, 15.5%. ACKETS: S Cauthen 10 winners from 27 rices, 37.0%; E Hilds 19 from 102, 18.6%; G Duffield 18 from 138, 13.2%.

Sandown Park began watering the course on Tuesday night for their meeting tomorrow and Saturday. The Flat going is expected to be "good to firm".

3 Coogen 7 Cauthen 12 1963: All Bright 11-10-6 T Williams (33-1) G Ros 15 ran.
1-2 Odin, 11-4 Ankramaky, 4 Currient Chence, 5 Dundrum Bay, 8 Seven Acres, 12 others. 4.30 SOMERSET HUNTERS' PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP CHASE (Ameteurs: £445: 3m 1f) (4) 5-4 Isotto, 9-4 Blue Begns, 7-2 Rose D'Amour, 6 Farra 5.0 GRUNWICK STAKES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (2902: 2m 1f) (16)

Worcester

dist. 3 rgn. T Parrott. Tota: £2.70. DP: £2.10. CSF: £8.37.
4.15 (2m 4f chese): 1, Aspan Plare (G Moore. 10-1): 2, Seven Acres (11-2): 3, Oliver Herdy (7-1). Hudson's Bay (9-4 fgv), 51, 27:1, 7 rgs. NP: Lloyd Ardus. R Hows. Tota: £11.30; £3.00. £25.0. DF: \$54.70. CSF: £51.51.
4.45 (2m 4f hurdle): 1, Debt Fellower (R Chapman, 4-7 tay; 2, Rodzám (12-1): 3, Pancosun (14-1). 301. dist. Tota: £1.60; £1.00,£5.10. DF: £1.50. CSF: £5.48. Piacopot: Not won.

PONTEFRACT: 2.45 Samenthe Fox, 4.15

Going Hard. 2.15 (2m 4f hurdle): 1, Blajor Gamble (Lome Vincent, 4-7 fav): 2, Dicta Den (15-8), 3 ran. MR: County Player. A Barrow. Tota. C1.40. DP: 81.10, CSP. 21.86. E25.0 DF: 254.70. CSF: E51.51.

2.45 (2m chase): 1. Bestylsetier (A Webber, 16-1): 2. Chelsee Island (12-1): 3. Johrsy Tercuin (33-1). Western Robe (6-6 two). 8, 81.8 rsn. V Bishop. Tota: 29.60; £1.70, £2.20, £8.90.

DF: 282.40. CSF: £150.60.

3.15 (2m 44 hurdis): 7. Rose Ruler (K Moorey, 11-10 fay: 2. Genthing Princs (3-1): 3. Slake (9-2). 8, 1.70; 5. rsn. I Wards. Tota: 21.80; 6. 20, £1.50, DF: £2.80. CSF: £8.40. Ps. 11-10 fay: 2. Genthing Princs (3-1): 3. Slake (9-2). 8, 1.70; 5. rsn. I Wards. Tota: 21.80; £1.20, £1.50, DF: £2.80. CSF: £8.40. Ps. 21.80; £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20, £1.20

RUNWICK STAKES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (2

134 EAGLE TAVERN (A Holmes) R Holder 5-12-5
FRESHBAN (6 Williams) G L Williams 5-11-12

5 STOLEN BOY U Parfitt) J Parfitt 5-11-12

6 WITHINGTON (D PERMAN) D PREVIOUS 5-11-72
HONEY GAMELE (Mrs. S Welcely) P Walkely 5-11-7
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2 EDARD LINE (Construction Services) R Hodges 4-11-4
CELTIC BOB (S Cooper) D O'Nell 4-11-6

10 DO DOC MYRING (A BERTOW) A Sentow 4-11-6

10 THE BROADWAY BAY (P Layton) J Spessing 4-11-5

11 SHEEL LEADER (D Ladharms) R Hodges 4-11-1

12 SHEEL CHORKS (H Morgan) N Morgan 4-11-1

11 THREE CHORKS (H Morgan) N Morgan 4-11-1

WHITE FERRY (L Woman) B Stevens 4-11-1

12 GES (201) Ruths Megic 4-10-9 G EVENS (D4-1) G MF 1983; (2m) Ruths Magic 4-10-9 G Evens (24-1) G M Price 16 ran. 11-10 Eagle Tavern, 5-2 Broad Line, 6 Celtic Bob, 8 Media Leader, 10 The Broadway Bay, 12

Ballesteros seeks relief in sweet homecoming

Severiano Ballesteros's homecoming was complete when he was greeted on the practice putting green of the Puerta de Hierro course here yesterday by his World Cup-winning compatriots, Manuel Pinero and Antonio Garrido. In the Spanish sunshine he

finally looked at peace with himself, following his unhappy defence of the US Masters, and with every back slap and handshake he became more

After the loneliness of his life on the US tour the Madrid Open, which starts today will come as a relief. Some officials here believe that the former Open champion now has a psychological barrier to over-come and that he now regards this tournament as an oppor-tunity to bury the disapointments of this year.

Ballesteros said: "I need to play. I have completed only three tournaments this year. It is better for me to be here than to have stayed for another week at home before returning to

his farmhouse home in northcm Spain. Yet he is well aware his cousin Severiano as a that he needs a win rather than

What Ballesteros now seems to have learned is the difference support in the Spanish capital.



Ballesteros: psychological barrier

A small matter or mis apparance money, which, it is understood, totals more than the £13,333 first prize, might have been responsible for the total matter or two tournaments raids which has been his style in recent years. So when he flies out for the Tournament of Champions next week he will take with him travelling companion for the

between playing for an extended Sam Torrance, who won the period on the US circuit Tunisian Open two weeks ago, might prove to be his strongest rival since Sandy Lyle has refused to defend the title. Lyle faces the possibility of a fine and the PGA European tour will also consider introducing a new rule stipulating that a player must defend a title unless there are extenuating circum-

Had not a series of thigh injuries restricted Small to five champion-

ship matches Warwickshire's record

could have been better. Small has fully recovered and if Willis, too, can summon form and fitness, Warwickshire's attack will be potent

indeed. Ferreira's late outswing and Paul Smith's whippy medium pace

varying its approach as necessary.

Varying its approach as necessary.

1983 RECORD: County championahip: 5th;
NatWest Bank Trophy: lost in quarter-final;
Benson & Hedges Cup: lost in quarter-final;
John Payer Lasque: 15th.
PLAYING STAFF: R G D Willis (captain), D L
Amiss, Asif Din, R I H B Dyer, A M Ferreira, N
Galford, D Hoffman, W Hogg, G W Hampage, K
B K (bedula, A (Kalifcharran, C Lethbridge, T A
Loyd, G J Lord, W Morton, C M Old, P M
O'Relity, J Robinson, G C Small, K D Smith, P
Smith, G A Tedstone and D A Thorne.

Democratics

are further assets.

Warwickshire add to bowling strength

County prospects by Richard Streeton

By moving up to fifth place in the championship table last year, after finishing bottom in the two last well as bowl long stints later. An previous seasons, Warwickshire set themselves new standards to maintain in 1984. The arrival of Gifford and Old, who shared 77 years and 160 wickets between them, explained the improvement Reinforced this year by Gladstone Small's bowling, Warwickshire look equipped to excel in any of the

It will be necessary for Gifford, who finished with 104 wickets in all first-class games, and who is now aged 44, to defy the years again, but with his economical action, there should not be any drastic falling



Gifford: must defy years

nounced yesterday which will benefit Minor Counties cricket by £35,000 and support the England women's

English Estates will put £15,000 into the Minor Counties knockout competition, of which Cheshire are the holders, and the final will be at

Fenner's on July 15. United Friendly Insurance have put up £20,006 for the championship which

was won last year by Hertfordshire. Split into two divisions, the winner of each will meet in the final at

Worcester on September 8.

The England women's team had volunteered to pay their own expenses but have now been spared

YACHTING

The day off meant Rod Carr

team coach to the ICI British

Olympic squad, was busier than most, outlining for his 470 sailors the RYA.s policy on the tricky

subject of measurement, and

dispensing solace, encouragement or

The British Solings are now nearly halfway through their series

of three trials to select the crew for Long Beach. Of the three boats in the squad, that of Colin Simonds is ahead by virtue of his performance

in San Remo, where he got the better of a lacklustre Chris Law.

Here the roles are reversed, with

Law placed second overall on points

after gaining second and sixth places

in the two completed races, with Simonds fourteenth and eighteenth.

If Law continues in this vein, the

stage will be set for a showdown in the final trial at Weymouth at the

end of may. The need there will be far smaller than the 33 entries here, so a straightforward match-racing series between Simonds and Law

will probable estule the issue.

criticism to the others, as required.

Help for Minor Counties

Change of scene for Collingham

as well as bowl long stints later. An important factor, too, was the enthusiasm generated by both these experienced men. allegiance to the more daunting domain of the William Younger club championship for 1984. The reason behind the move are unknown opposition of Buxton who provide Collingham with their

an England cap last year. Amiss, who has taken on a new lease of life since returning to No 4, and Kallicharran should again provide plenty of runs. Humpage and David Smith complete the front rank batting, which looks capable of varying its argument as presented.

last year's runners-up have already come through their opening to against Sevenoaks Vine on Monday In pursuit of a Hastings total of 22: for six. Sevenoaks dwindled from

nine, despite an unbeaten \$5 from Golds and 71 from Lee.

But Hastings were some two weeks behind the competition's first winners of 1984. Wraxeter and Uppington, with Jones, the Shrop-shire left hander making 98 and taking three wickets, beat Elworth by seven wickets as early as April 7.

Rachael Heyhoe-Flint, the domi- were beaten in last season's final Rachael Heyhoe-Flint, the dominant figure in women's cricket for the last 20 years, has annoanced her official retirement as a player at the age of 44. Mrs Heyhoe-Flint has played in 51 international matches since making her debut in 1960. She will manage the England team during the series against New Zealand.

were beaten in last season's final. The first round due to be completed by Sunday therefore sees the spotlight fall on some of the lesser age of 44. Mrs Heyhoe-Flint has played in 51 international matches since making her debut in 1960. She cucumber and will seem a long way off among the cucumber sandwiches at such rural delights as Woodpeckers, Fenns during the series against New Zealand.

Gale ends day with hardly a blow struck

From John Nicholls Racing for all but the Windglider class was abandoned in the preclass, which carries a first prize of £50,000, is part of the new series of Grands Prix organized by Charles Ziff, a lawyer. It will be held on his Olympic regatia here yesterday when gale force winds kept the crews of 375 boats confined to the

shore. It was not the dreaded mistral which swept across the bay, but a wind in the opposite direction, predicted to last for 20 hours. richest event was previously the Hickstead Jumping Derby whose new sponsors, Silk Cut, have announced a record £20,000 first The organizers hope to complete the programme of six races by holding two during one day before the event ends on Saturday.

OLYMPIC GAMES: The compulsory wearing of American headguards for the boxing tournament in Los Angeles has been described as "scandalous" by the East Berlin official thinking on sporting issues in East Germany. The ruling, which

MOTORCYCLING: Tormo, of Spain, was seriously injured when his machine struck a car on his training ground at Martorellas, near Barcelona, on Tuesday. Tormo, the world 50cc champion in 1978 and 1981 and fifth in the 125cc championship last year, broke several bones. The car was not authorised to be in the industrial zone where Tormo trained.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL 7.30 unless stated CENTRAL LEAGUE: Second division: Bradford City v Preston North End (6.30). SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Plast v Dertlord. ISTHMAN LEAGUE: First division: Tibury v Femborough, Second division: Tring v Basidon. FA YOUTH CUP: Final, first leg: Everton v Stoke City.

CRICKET 11.30 to 6.30 LORD'S: MCC v Essex. FENNER'S: Cambridge University v Hamp-

RUGBY LEAGUE ECONO DIVISION: Blackpool v Carlisle (7.0); luvton v Rocndale Homets (6.30). OTHER SPORT

(at RAF Costord). GOLP: ELGA North y South (at Tidey GC). revruse British Junior hard count champion-ships, 16 and under age group (at Edgbaston, 9.30). SNOCKER: world professional championship (at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, 2.0 and 7.0).

US professional team Milan (AP) - A United States professional cycling team has been entered for the Tour of Italy open road race from May 17 to June 6.

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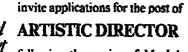
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In forcing through this revolution, the Government has stirred up great, controversy, not least through its recent White Paper, Training for Jobs. Amid all the debate, now ever, the development of one programme, the Open Tech, has been free of contention.

There are now more than 60 Open Tech projects being funded through the Open Tech Unit at the Manpower Services Commission and some already have students enrolled. The remainder are still being developed. It's a long process since the innovatory nature of the scheme has meant that a massive amount of work needs to be done to produce the kind of material appropriate for this new approach to industrial training.

Improving the quality of instruction

In many cases new technology is providing the vehicle for delivering the training packages. One of the most sophisticated projects is being undertaken by Michael Lansman at the Buckinghamshire Institute of Higher Education. Mr Lansman and his team are in the final stages of producing an export marketing management course which makes use of the whole gamut of modern information technology including Prestel, a BBC Micro, and videotapes.

Students are now being enrolled for the course launch in May. From then on, they will be able to dial Prestel for access to materials as well as making use of printed texts and video.

Apart from exploiting a variety of media, the export marketing management package is also interesting because it is clearly aimed at the professional and managerial level, in the early days of Open Tech, the potential audience for the materials was defined in terms of technicians and supervisors.

As Michael Lansman says: "We're meeting three demands. The first is from major companies involved in work overseas. The second is from young graduates who are just getting into export marketing and need some training. And the third group consists of marketing professionals who want to update their skills and maybe gain membership of the Institute of Exporting or the Institute of Marketing, both of which recognize the

course".
The Open Tech methods mean that even the busiest manager should be able to fit in time somewhere to brush up his or her skills or acquire new expertise. Almost total flexibility is giving students not only the freedom to study at a time and place which is Edward Fennell looks at the big chances in training, particularly at the Open Tech

convinient, it is actually providing access to courses for those who could never make it otherwise for reasons of geography or the nature of their work. For example the Scottish Business Education Council (SCOTBEC) is developing a "Tourism for Small Businesses" package which is aimed at the self-employed and those in small firms to help them improve their general efficiency and sharpen up their response to the prospects offered by tourism.

Many people involved profession-ally with Open Tech are excited by the tremendous potential opened up by this new approach based on the computer and video. But if the Open Tech is to succeed, it needs to inculcate a new attitude to training.

In that context the arrival recently of the "materials and resources information service" (MARIS) is of key importance. MARIS is administered by the National Extension College and operates a computerized databank on which is stored details of all the open learning materials currently available. Though it is funded by the Open Tech, its intention is to be comprehensive, incorporating references to all materials, whatever their source. Already it holds 3,000 items and a couple of dozen requests for information are received each week from training officers who want to identify packages

which meet their needs. MARIS is, though, exclusively a service for the "gatekeepers" - people like training managers and not for the managers or supervisors who them-selves want to be trained. This seems to be the major shortcoming at the moment. An information system for

students and learners is planned but it is not yet available. The Open Tech is about open learning but currently it is hard for the man or woman in the street to get access to advice and guidance about what is actually on

At the moment it is probably those in engineering who are feeling most acutely the need to keep up with latest developments. It is encouraging therefore to see that a major agreement has been signed between the Centre for Engineering Design at Cranfield Institute of Technology, the Engineering packages aimed at the engineering designer. Initially about 50 companies and 500 learners will be involved on courses concerned with Design for Economic Manufacture and Computer-aided Design Engineering Later on there will be packages in Creative Design; Information Technology for Engineering Designers and Design and Management. If the country's engineering industry is going to succeed in competing more effectively for a bigger share of the world market, then these are the skills

Amid all the razzamatazz about the hi-tech of the Open Tech, it is worth sparing a thought for the intended customers. How are they likely to respond? According to Jack Cairns, the marketing and develop-ment manager for the Southtek Open Tech Unit based at Brighton Poly, there has been a massive amount of interest and enthusism from both training staff and line managers who see the scheme as being the answer to many of their skill problems. The MSC reckon that there will be 50,000 people signed up for Open Tech in 1986.

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The volume of recruitment advertising in the seven quality national newspapers in March was up by almost 40 per cent on last year. This suggests buoyancy in the professional and executive market. Five of the top popular national daily newspapers showed a collective growth of more than 27 per cent.

The apparent fall in vacancies is hard to reconcile with the level of advertising unless employers are using Johcentres far less than usual. Employers certainly remain optimistic about job prospects. The latest survey of employment prospects among 1,057 leading employers conducted by Manpower Limited shows that 28 per cent of employers think the size of their workforce will be increased and

only 11 per cent expect cuts.

The most optimistic employers are in Scotland, followed by those in south Wales and the West. Only employers in north west England believe their numbers will remain static. The most buoyant sectors of employment according to the Manpower survey, are electrical engineering, road transport and light engineering. The only sectors expecting net losses are public utilities and local government.

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5.15 The Young Doctors find themselves in financial trouble 5.45 News 6.00 Thames news 6.35 Thames Sport presented by

Steve Rider 7.10 Carry On Laughing. A compilation of clips from the funnier moments of the successful Carry On series of films (r)

7.40 Film: Sparkling Cyanide (1983) starring Anthony Andrews, Deborah Raffin and Nancy Marchand. A made-fortelevision Agatha Christie murder mystery about the death by cyanide poisoning of the fiirtatious wife of a lawyer. Directed by Robert Lewis (Oracle titles page 170)

9.30 TV Eye: Should MPs be financially involved with political lobbyists who offer clients advice on how to influence Parliament? MPs and lobbyists are interviewed.

10.00 News followed by Thames news headlines 10.30 Shelley. A number of bills arrive which means that the indolent Shelley must decide

who to pay first (r) 1.00 The Spanish Civil War. The story surrounding the battle of the River Ebro and Franco's subsequent demand for an unconditional surrender (Oracle titles page 170)

12.00 Newhart, American domestic comedy series 12.25 Night Thoughts from Richard

Arthur Miller: He is interviewed in tonight's edition of Kaleidoscope, Radio 4, 9.45pm

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Pure Maths: Functions. 5.30 Who's Your Teacher, Mum?' 6.55 Evolution of Fishes. 7.20 A

Assembley of Lorries.

2.30 World Snooker. Day six of the

Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship from

the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, introduced by David

icke. Coverage begins with the final frames of the first round

game between number four seed Tony Knowles and John

Reardon, seeded number two against Silvino Francisco, the

qualifier who upset the number 15 seed Tony Meo.

An Open University production in which Peter Habeler who,

climbed Mount Everest withou

oxygen, explains why and how

starring Peter Sellars, Terry-

Sharp comedy about a group

of celebrities who are being blackmailed by the editor of a

scandal sheet. Their individual plans to bump off the

journalists come to nothing so they join forces to do the deed. Directed by Mario Zampi.

introduces coverage of the final frames of Cliff Thorburn's

first round match with Mario Morra and the start of the

second round game bets

7.50 Three Paintings. The first in a new series. (See Choice).

presented by Tony Soper with

Brian Leith. Among the items

are an investigation into what makes animals amorous at

this time of year; and, from Brian Leith in Panama, the

destruction of rain forests.

humorous reminiscences of

life in the Manchester suburb

diminutive comedian on the

Described by the director, David Gladwell, as a science

attempts to look at the world

of the Earthling through the eyes of a being from another

Davis/John Spancer match

comes to the end of his game

fiction documentary' that

lanet. (See Cholce).

10,10 World Snooker. The Steve

with Mario Morra.

of the day to Sheffield.

12.10 Open University: Computing: Top Down Design. 12.35

Psychology: Landing an Aircraft. Ends at 1.05.

10.50 Newsnight.

stage of the Grand Opera

9.00 Mike Harding in Belfast. More

shaggy dog stories and

of Crumpsall from the

9.30 Forty Minutes: O Allen.

8.30 Nature. A new series

connexion betw

hamburgers and the

Steve Davis and John

7.10 World Snooker. David Vine

Thomas and Dennis Price.

Parrott; round two

commerces with Ray

5.10 Risk: The Peak Experience.

vith Reinhold Messner

5.35 News summary with subtitles.

5.40 Film: The Naked Truth* (1957)

they did it (r).

9.00 Ceefax.

Woman's Place? 7.45 Design:

the practicalities of his art and the theories. He is a critic, and therefore theories. He is a critical and determine understands the importance of objectivity. And, third, he is Slade Professor of Art at University College, London, which means that, as he is in the communication iss, he ought to know how business, he ought to know how best to get his message across to those anxious to learn. All three hats fit him comfortably, even becomingly, in tonight's film, which is about Masaccio. A fourth hat — that of the television presenter, in the tredition of Kanneth Clark and the tradition of Kenneth Clark a Robert Hughes - is still proving a bit of a tight squeeze, but practice might make perfect by the time we get to Cezanne in three weeks' time. Tonight's film carries the sub-title

Lawrence Gowing's qualifications for his role of writer/presenter of SBC 2's THREE PAINTERS, beginning tonight at 7.50, are impressive. He is a painter himself, and thus understands both the practicalities of his at and the

CHANNEL 4

(1942) starring Frank Randle.

sergeant. Today, the private

helps a wealthy fellow private to re-kindle his romance with

winner of the anagrams and

mental erithmetic competition

is challenged by Liam Johnstone, a cricket umpire

Entertainment for children of

all colours and nationalities.
Paola Dionisotti tells a story

from Italy about a tricky gang

Barriers. Episode 17 and Billy

obviously intent on doing him a mischief rented a car in the

learns that the man who is

name of Billy's father

6.15 The Good Food Show. This

month's focus on food

includes a tasting of the best supermarket wines; recipes

for salt-free cooking; and hints for the modern cook from the

preparation of a medieval

Street-Porter examines the role of 'the woman in the

columnist Anne Smith gives

her view on a matter of topical

kitchen' in advertising.

8.00 Survive. The third programme

in the stx-part series about

testing conditions is about

family who survived for 37

their yacht was sunk by

whales: the second is the

what it takes to stay alive in

survival at sea. Two stories of

life-saving ingenuity are told. The first is about the Robinson

days in two open boats after

horrific tale of Kenneth Cooke

who was one of fourteen men

who took to a raft after their

ship was torpedoed in 1943.

were left alive.

9.00 Soap. Burt and Saul begin

9.30 Caught in a Free State. The

art of the dra

about German agents infiltrating neutral Ireland

cornedy series starring Tony

during World War Two.

Someone, An unusual

Campbell and Patrick

11.45 Perfect Lives, Part four of

12.10 Izn Breakwell's Continuous

television opera.

Diary.

12.20 Closedov

Fitzgerald with dramatic

production that links the

poetry of Anne Clark, Peter

dialogue, to depict a day in the

life of an unusual urban family.

Robert Ashley's made-for-

10.35 Love, Sidney. American

11.00 Isolation - A Sketch to

Randali

After 50 days only two of them

their epic journey through time and space. Will they survive? Meanwhile, the earthbound

Chester meets up with an old

7.00 Channel Four News.

importance.

7.50 Comment. Novelist and

6.45 Hey Good Looking, Janet

One of a series of comedies about the feud between a

3.05 Film: Somewhere on Leave

private soldier and his

Countdown, Yesterday's

from Birmingham.

an ATS girL

5.15 Everybody Here.

of roques.

CHOICE

A View of Mankind, and this gives us a clue to Sir Lawrence's approach to his subject. He sees the approach to his subject. He sees the grandeur of art as a quality of the real world. And it is very much the real world (visual, social and moral, all at once), and not the idealized one, that is reflected both in Sir Lawrence's essay, and in the still pictures from the 1400s and the moving pictures of the 1980s with which Christopher Bustall, director of Three Painters, illustrates the Florentine dawn of a new age in art—the realization of how simple, yet how grand, one man's perception of makind can be.

O ALIEN (BBC 2, 9.30pm) is a film about a Close Encounter of the Fourth Kind. It is E.T.'s view of the world when, instead of falling among the nice children of the United States, he drops in on an

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lady in a filac-coloured dress playing unaccompanied Bach in a cello-maker's workshop, and a physically well-endowed lady slipping out of her panties and brasslere. The idea behind David Gladwell's film is a commentary from an unseen interpreter whose vague philosophical musings must have left any visiting E.T. convinced that there really isn't any intelligent life

England that is helf-bent for self-destruction; a place where animals (dead and alive) and adults (living, yet doorned) offer nothing very attractive to his uncomprehending 6.55 Weather 7.00 News. extra-terrestrial's eve except for

irst-rate one: let's pretend that we are looking at everyday things as if for the first time (i.e. through E.T.'s eyes). The mistake was to match the slow-motion, dream-like pictures with a dream-like, slow-motion

Peter Davalle

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Today, 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, incl. 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Prayer. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day, 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather, Programme News, 6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial

Paniament. Weather; Travel; News; 7.20 Any Answers? With David
Jacobs.
7.40 Last Tales from The South China Rollercoaster. A new three-hour Sequence presented by Richard Baker and including 10.00, 11.00 News, 10.30 Morning Story: 'All Together Now' by Devid Campton, read by Peter Adamson, and 10.45 An Act of 8.25 Your Move or Mine: Telephone 01-580 4411. Bill Breckon and Worship - music and prayer. 12.00 News; Your Move or Mine: Telephone 01-580 4411. Bill

Telephone 01-580 4411. Bill Brackon opens the door on the housing world with the help of financial expert Torn Tickell.

12.27 The Smast, mirricate Life of Gerald C. Potter. With lan Carmichael and Charlotte Mitchell (*). 12.55 Weather: Programme News.

1.00 The World at One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.

Naws; Elgar by Jerrold Northrop Moore. The second of three programmes. A portrait in words and music of the great English composer. With Julian Glover as

3.00 News: Atternoon Theatre. 'Big City Incident' by Betty Paul, With Moir Lestie as the young girl who arrives in London to find herself without either work or mor

James Newali plays the young man she meets; he is the son of a wealith businessmant 4.00 News; Enquire Within. 4.10 Bookshelf. Redio 4's book programme. Cautionary verses and cautionary tales (r).

BBC 1 WALES 12.57-1.00pm News of Wales. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales. 3.55 (Part of Sbdy Minutes) Wales Today. 11.40 News headlines. News of Wales headlines. SCOTLAND 12.55-1.00pm Scottlesh news. 5.55 (Part of Sbdy Minutes) Scotland: Stdy

of Stoty Minutes) Scotland: Stxty
Minutes. 6.35-6.40 Party Political
Broadcast (by Scotlish National Party).
Nows headines. Scotlish news.
NORTHERN IRELAND 12-57-1.00pm

Northern Ireland news. 3.53-3.55
Northern Ireland news. 5.55 (Part of Strittern Ireland news. 5.55 (Part of Strittern Ireland news headlines. Northern Ireland news headlines. ENGL AND 5.55pm Part of Strittern Ireland 14

GRANADA As London except:

9.25am Atom Ant. 9.30

Wild, Wild World of Animals. 9.55 Kum

Kum. 10.20 Father Murphy. 11.05 Dick

Tracy, 11.35-12.00 Laurel and Hardy.

12.30pm-1.00 Paint Along with Nancy,

120-1.30 Granada Reports. 2.30 Lady

Killers. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15
5.45 Diff rent Strokes. 6.00 This is Your

Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30 Granada

Recorts. 7.10-7.40 Emmardale Farm.

HTV As London except 10.25em Little Rascals, 10.40 Once Upon A Time . . . Man. 11.10-12.00 Father Murphy, 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Gambit. 6.00 News. 6.45 Crossroads. 7.10-7.40

Emmerdale Farm. 10.30-11.00 Acker at the Fleeca. 12.00 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 8.00pm-6.45 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.00 Opportunity Wales

Sixty Minutes, 11,45 Close.

octs. 7.10-7.40 Emr

12.00-12.30am Making a Living,

4.40 Story Time: 'Time After Time' by Moëy Keane (1). Read by Sheila

Report.

8.30 Brain of Britain 1984. General knowledge contest (5). Southern England (r).

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

Seas 1: Shanghai in the days of the British Empire (r)t

Tom Tickell are joined by experts to answer your questions on mortgages, etc. 8.50 Actuality. The fourth of 10 montage documentaries. 9.30 It Was A Dark And Stormy Night On Bookshelf . . . with Hunter Davies. A shiver of ghost stories

9.45 Kaleidoscope. Arts magezine. Playwright Arthur Miller is interviewed by Christopher Bigsby. 10.15 A Book At Bedtime: 'Naples' 44'

by Norman Lewis (4). 10.30 The World Tonight; Headlines. 11.15 The Financial World Tonight; 11.30 Today in Partiament.

12.00 News. 12.10 Weather. 12.15-Close Shipping Forecast. ENGLAND VHF as above except 6.25-6.30 Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00 Listening Comer. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00 Study On 4: So You Want to be an Actor. 11.30-12.10 Open University: 11.30 Maths Foundation Tutorial. 11.50 Meaning to Model.

SCOTTISH As London except:

Globetrotters. 10.25em Harlem Globetrotters. 10.50 Joe 90. 11.15 Flora and Fauna. 11.30-12.00 Natural

and radia. 1.30-12.00 Natural Environment. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.00-2.30 Sons and Daughters, 3.30-4.00 Gambit. 5.10 Bodyline. 5:20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.35 Party Political Broadcast. 6.40-7.40

Unaccustomed As I Am. 10.30-11.00
Making a Living. 12.00 Lete Cal.
12.05am Protectors. 12.35 Closedown

ULSTER As London except: 10.25em Sport Billy. 10.50 Cartoons. 13.05 12.00 James Galway. 1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.30 -4.00 it's a Vet's Life. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Good Evening Uister. 8.25 Poice Six. 6.35 Cartoon. 6.45 Crossroeds. 7.10-7.40 Emmerdale Farm. 10.30-11.00 Counterpoint. 12.00 News, Closedown.

TVS As London except: 10.25am

12.15am Company, Closedown.

Adventures or sport Bitly & Lifty.
11.20 Matt and Jenny. 11.45-12.00 Little
Rascals. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.00-2.30
Happy Days. 5.15-5.45 Take The High
Road. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.45
Crossroads. 7.10-7.40 Emmerdale
Farm. 10.30 Englishman's Home:
Goodwood. 11.15 Sparish Civil War.
12.15

BORDER As London except:
10.25am-12.00 Film: The
Games (Michael Crawford). 1.20pm1.30 News. 2.30 Lady Killers. 3.30-4.00
Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 University
Challenge. 8.00 Lookeround. 6.40 Party
Political Broadcast. 6.45 Crossroads.

NATALIA MAKAROVA

RODGERS AND HART'S

7.10-7.40 Emmerdale Farm. 12.00

7.05 Morning Concert part one. Morning Concert pair one. Schumann's overture Manfred; Rachmaninov's Plano Concerto No 4 (Kocsis/San Francisco SO); Haydin's Cuertet in D for flute, violar, viola and cello (H 11 D9), 1 a.00 News.

Radio 3

8.05 Concert part two. Mozert's Violin Concerto No 2 K 211 (Muter/Philiharmonia), Nielsen's Concerto No 2 K 211
(Muter/Philharmonia), Nielsen's
Aladdin Suite Op 34; and
Milhaud's Concertino de
printemps (Goldberg/Lamoureux
Concerts Ensemble),† 9,00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer.
Mendelssohn. Richte Mich, Gott
(Psain 43) and other choral
works: Variations seriesses in F

(PSBIM 43) and other choral
works; Variations serieuses in F
minor Op 54 (Artymiw, piano) and
Vlotin Concerto Op 64 (KyungWha Chung/Montreat SO);
10.00 French and Spanish: Chebrier's
Marche joysuse; Bourree
fantasage; and Turina's Sinfonta
sevillana;
10.40 Bach: Christophia Chicago sevillans.†
10.40 Bach: Christophe Coin, cello, plays the Sufte No 2, BWV 1008.†
11.00 Royal Liverpool Philiharmonic Orchestra: with Nigel Kennedy (violin) and Marie Siorach (soprano). Bax's Tintagel; Elgar's Violin Concerto and Vaughan Williams's A Pastoral Symphony.†
1.05 News.

1.00 News.

1.05 What the Critics Said: The music raviews of Alsc Robertson, introduced by John Steane, lilustrated with records. S Antonio di Padova: by Francesco Durante. Claudio

Scimone directs I Sollsti Veneti, with Sendra Browne (as St Anthony), Daniela Mazzucato and Anastasia Tomaszewska Schepis. Part two begins at 2.55.1
3.40 Youth Orchestras of the World:
National Youth Orchestra of
Scotland, with Isobel Buchaner,
soprano. Webern's Six Pieces for
Orchestra, Op 6; Ravel's

Scherazade: Nielsen's Symphony No 4.1 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: anothe of Michael Berkeley's selections. Includes the Italian Caprice, by Tchallovsky, and works by Debussy, Revel etc.
6.30 Bandstand: Damellington Band play Bantock's Prometheus Unbound; Virter's Spectrum; and Eloar Howari's Mosale;

Elgar Howart's Mosaic.†
7.00 Howells and Liszt: piano recital by Philip Smith. Howelts's Sonatina: Liszt's Après une lecture de Dartie.† 7.30 Concert. Simon Rattle conducts

7-30 Concert. Simon Rattle conducts
the City of Birmingham SO in
Mahler's Sympony No 6 in the
Town Hall, Birmingham.†
8.55 The Return of Grand Theory:
Lecture by Stuart Clark, Lecturer
in History, University College,
Swansea. The therne: Mountains
Come First.
9.15 Ratrier and Tippett: BBC Singers
with John Potter (tenor) and John

with John Potter (tenor) and John Scott (organ). Tippett's Magnificat and Nunc dimittis.† 9.55 Man Midwite: Nigel Graham reads from the diary of John

S4C Starts: 2.00pm Flalabalam. 2.15 Interval. 3.05 Make it Count. 3.30 Flashback. 4.00 Cautionery Tales. 4.25 Countdown. 4.55 Guto Goch A Malwen. 5.05 Y Gwyllt. 5.35 Daley Thompson's Body-Shop. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Teulu Fión. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Teulu Fión. 8.00 Erfed. 8.30 Heart of the Dragon. 9.30 Côr Melbion De Cymru Ar Daith. 10.15 Snwcer. 10.55 Outside edge. 12.40am Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 10.25am Pick Up

11.45-12.00 Sally and Jake. 1.20pm-1.30 News and Lookeround. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.10-7.40 Emmerdale Farm. 12.00 Experience of Easter. Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 10.25am European Folk

Tales. 10.40 Adventurer. 11.05 Spirit of Malcolm Miller. 11.55-12.00 Wattoo, Wattoo. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Animals in Action. 6.00 About Anglia.

6.30 Arenz. 6.45 Crossroads. 7.10-7.40 Benson. 10.30-11.00 Newhart. 12.00

House Calls. 12.30am New Hymn for

YORKSHIRE As London except: 10.25am Portrelle (

1-00 Trad's Hollywood, 1,20 News, 1,31 2.00 Calendar, 5,15-5,45 Happy Days, 6,00 Calendar, 6,45 Crosroads, 7,10-7,40 Emmerdale Farm, 10,30-11,00 John Briggs Music Show, 12,00 Jazz, 12,30am Closedown.

Power, 10.50 European Folk Tales, 11.00-12.00 ELO on Concert, 12.30cm

Your Feet - It's The Double Dutch Show. 10.55 Spirit of Malcolm Mill 11.45-12.00 Sally and Jake. 1.20p

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Knyveton, adapted by Stephen Surrey. 10,25 Music in Our Time: Acquarius perform Paul Patterson's Cracowian Counterpoints; and John Buller's Towards Aquarius. 11,15 News, Until 11,18. VHF only: Open University. 6.35am-6.55 VIIIa Medama; 11,20pm Modern Art: Munch; and 11,40-12,00 Rutherford and the Atom.

4.08am Bai Rennels. t 5.30 Colfin Berry.†
7.30 Terry Wogant incl 8.31 Racing
Bulletin. 10.00 Russell Herry.† 12.pm
Steve Jonest incl 1.05 Sport. 12.00
Gloria Humifordt incl 2.02; 3.02 Sport.
3.30 Music alt the Way.† 4.00 David
Hamiftont incl 4.02; 5.05 Sport. 6.00
John Dunnt with special guests Ted and
Liz Edgar, incl 6.02 Sport; 6.45 Sport
and Classified Results (mf only), 8.00
Wally Whyton with Country Concert and
Country Cub.† 3.55 Sports Desk. 10.60
The News Huddlines with Nick Jackson.
11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round
Midright (stereo from midright), 1.00am
Peter Dickson presents Nightride.† 3.604.00 Marching and Waltzing.†

Radio 2

Radio 1

6.90am Adrian John, 7.00 Mike Read.
7.00 Simon Betes. 11.30 Gary Davies, including 12.00 Newsbeat. 2.00 Stave Wright. 4.30 Peter Powel, including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 John Peel.† VHF Radios 1 and 2 4.00am With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00 With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

5.00 Newsdesk, 6.30 Neture Notebook, 6.40
The Farming World, 7.00 World News, 7.09
Twentyl-Four Hours, 7.30 The Cambridge
Buskers, 7.45 London Royal, 8.00 World
News, 8.09 Reflections, 8.15 International
Scoces Special, 8.30 John Peal, 8.00 World
News, 8.09 Reflections, 8.15 International
Scoces Special, 8.30 John Peal, 8.00 World
News, 8.09 Reflections, 8.15 International
House, 8.09 Reflections, 8.15 International
House, 8.00 Reflect And His Circle, 10.15
Monitor, 11.00 World News, 11.05 News About
Britain, 11.15 New Ideas, 11.25 The Week in
Wales, 11.30 Assignment, 12.00 Radio
Newsreel, 12.15 Top Twenty, 12.45 Sports
Roundup, 1.00 World News, 1.09 Twentyl-Four
Hours, 1.30 London Royal 1.45 The Pleasure's
Yours, 2.30 Discovery, 3.00 Radio Newsreel,
3.15 Cutbook, 4.06 World News, 4.09
Commentary, 4.15 Assignment, 8.00 World
News, 8.09 Twentyl-Four Hours, 8.30 A Joby
Good Show, 9.15 Usiner Newsletter, 9.20 in the
Meantama, 9.30 Business Matters, 10.00 World
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News, 10.09 The World Today, 10.25 The
Week in Wales, 10.30 Finencial News, 10.46
Reflections, 10.45 Sports Roundup, 11.00
World News, 1.10 News About Britain,
12.10 World News, 1.20 News About Britain,
12.10 World News, 2.10 News About Britain,
12.10 World News, 2.10 News About Britain,
12.10 World News, 2.10 News About Britain,
13.15 The World
Today, 3.30 Business Matters, 4.45 Financial
News, 4.50 Reflections, 5.00 World News, 5.09
Twentyl Four Hours, 5.45 The World Today,
(All times in GMT) WORLD SERVICE

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25em 3-2-1 Conta 9.55 Venture, 10.20 Bracken, 11.10 Land of the Dragon, 11.35-12.00 New Land of the Uragon. 11.35-12.00 rewr Fred and Barney Show. 12.25pm European Folk Tales. 12.45-1.00 Contact. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.80-3.30 Filtr. Abbott and Costello in Hollywood.* 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 News. 7.10-7.40 Emmerdale Farm. 10.30 Central Lobby. 44 no Central May 12.00 11.00 Spanish Civil War. 12.00

TSW As London except: 19.25am-12.00 Film: The Games (Michael Crawford), 1.20pm-1.30 News, 5.15 Gus Honeybun, 5.20-5.45 Crosaroads 6.00 Today South West, 6.40-7.10 Gardens For Al. 10.43-11.00 Bosom Buddies. 12.00 Fisharies News, 12.10am Postscript, Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: Starts 12.00-12.10pm Benny, 1,20-1,30 News, 5,15-5,45 Beverly Habilities*, 6,00 Channel Report. Band, 19.34 in Camera, 11.00 Spanish Civil War, 12.00 Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 10.25em Film: Resi From Gilligan's Island (Bob Denver). 11.55-12.00 Cartoon. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Vintage Outz. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.35 Party Political Broadcast. 6.40 Police News. 6.45 Croseroeds. 7.10-7.40 Magic of the Musical. 10.30 Spanish Chril War. 11.30 About Gaelic. Spanish Civil Wal. 11.30am News, 12.00 Two of Us. 12.30am News,

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN. tereo. 'X'Black and white. (r) Repeat. FREQUENCIES: Radio 1 MF 1053kHz/285m or 1089kHz/275m. Radio 2 MF 893kHz/433m or 909kHz/330m. Radio 1/2 VHF 88-91MHz. Radio 3 VHF 90-92.5MHz, MF 1215kHz/247m. Radio 4 LF 200kHz/1500m and VHF 92-95MHz. Greater London Area MF 720kHz/417m. LBC MF 1152kHz/261m, VHF 97.3MHz. Capital MF 1548kHz/194m, VHF 95.8MHz. BBC Radio London MF 1458kHz/206m and VHF 94.9MHz. World Service MF

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From Michael Binyon

Rudolf Hess, Hitler's former deputy and the only prisoner in the Allied war criminals jail in Spandau, West Berlin, is 90 today, a pathetic old man who has spent the past 43 years in

He will spend today as he has so many others, reading or watching television in his small cell in the dark, red-brick building constructed to hold 600 prisoners. The only con-cessions in the inflexible routine may be a speical meal prepared by the kitchen staff and, if the family request is granted, a visit from his three grandchildren, aged four to seven whom he has never seen.

Hess is still watched by detachments of 30 soldiers from each of the four powers -Britain, America, France and Russia - who take it in turn to guard him. There are four prison governors, one from each power, four doctors and several dozen warders, clerical staff and interpreters drawn from all four nationalities.

The man who once strutted, uniformed and fanatical, with other Nazi bosses before ecstatic crowds, has become the most expensive and loneliest prisoner in the world. The West German Government, which pays for his upkeep, recently revealed that it had cost more than DM20m (about £5m) since 1970. Last year alone, German taxpayers had to subsidize Spandan to the tune of DM2.3m.

For years, the prisoner's family, led by his son, Wolf Rüdiger, and others who consider his continued imprisonment "without any judicial or moral sense" (in the words of a Bonn official), have begged the wartime Allies to release him. They have started court cases, published appeals, lobbied statesman and politicians - to no avail.

Although the Western Allies are willing to release him, the Soviet Union will not hear of it. "He must drink the chalice of punishment to the last drop," a Soviet official once said. Hess was convicted at Nuremberg only of helping to prepare a war and acquitted of war crimes and atrocities, but, for the Russians and many others, he is a symbol of Nazi dictatorship. His dramatic lone flight to Scotland in 1941 in a futile attempt to seek a peace agreement with the British is considered irrelevant.

Over the years, the conditions under which Prisoner No 7 - as he is ordered to be referred to by the Allies - is slightly. His original 6ft by 8ft cell has been doubled in size and neighbouring cells con-verted into a library, sitting room and separate bathroom.

His cook no longer changes with the guard each month, his visiting privileges have been extended from 30 minutes to an hour a month and a television set was installed in 1969. But he is still only allowed to receive one letter a week and to write one - censored - back of

no more than 1,300 words. His wife, Ilse, aged 84, who lives in the Bavarian village of Himdelang, can no longer make the trip to Spandau. She last saw her husband in 1981. During visits, no physical contact, no kisses or handshakes are allowed. When Wolf Rüdiger Hess briefly embraced his father in 1982, the British lodged a formal

Conversation, like his letters, is not allowed to touch on his Nazi past, prison conditions or efforts to free him. He has no legal assistance. Four directors and several armed onards are always present to ensure the rules are kept.

His life is surrounded by silence. Any comment about him, including those by visi-

advance by all four powers. The Americans, who this month are in charge of Spandau, are not allowed to give any details of how he will spend today.

It is unclear whether Hess is sane or not – as it was during his Nuremberg trial. Fanati-cally loyal to Hitler, he has never expressed any remorse for his Nazi past, or been struck by guilt and repentance as was his one-time fellow prisoner, Albert Speer, Hitler's architect and armaments minister, who was released with Baldur von Schirach, the Hitler Youth leader, leaving Hess alone in Spandan since 1966.

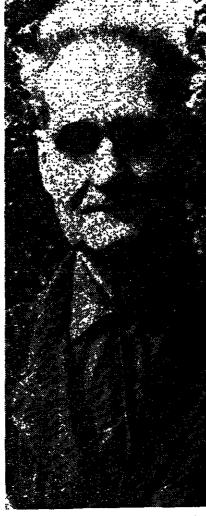
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hamted prison. But so awful was that past and so complex the present arrangements with the Russians over the legacy of that past that no one will open the door to freedom for the old man unilaterally.

The stopped, lonely figure of the surreptitious smuggled photographs still circles the prison yard, feeding the crows and talking to no one.



FLIGHT FROM GERMANY IN A MESSERSCHMITT

From The Times, Tuesday, May 13, 1941



Life's ups and downs (clockwise from the top): The feeble old man; Hess in his prime; with Göring at Nuremberg; and at a Nazi rally in Berlin with Hitler and Goebbels.





rethink on Nato frigate

From Frederick Bonnart Bonn

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Secretary of Defence, has ordered last-minute American qualifications to the memorandum of understanding on a common Nato frigate to be made as a matter of top priority.

They are due to be submitted today to the other seven partners in the undertaking -Britain, Canada, France, West Germany, Italy, The Netherlands and Spain.

As reported in The Times on April 16, the Americans had presented important lastminute qualifications to a previously agreed but as yet unsigned memorandum which, according to European officials at Nato, had virtually nullified

Mr Weinberger was very upset last week when he heard of the reactions of the other partners, and said they made

qualifications, working if necessary throughout the Easter weekend.

The American qualifications had been produced by the legal office of the US Department of Defence, and has not been cleared with the senior authorities there, the official added. They were in accordance with American constitutional re-

quirements and were transmitted to the US representative at the meeting, Dr Richard DeLauer, Under-Secretary of Defence for Research and Development, when he was already in Brussels.

Mr Weinberger has now given instructions that they are to be reframed, shortened and modified to include his policy considerations. This should, the official said, provide a basis for agreement on American participation in the project. The Armed Services Com-

mittee of the US House of Representatives has, according to an American source, recently tabled an amendment which would waive some of the existing restrictive regulations so as to ease cooperation with allied countries. The proposal originated with

the Department of Defence, in fact, it is understood to be largely due to initiatives by Dr DeLauer himself

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involved in the dispute, who met again yesterday with the Prime Minister in the chair to review developments, remained convinced that the divisions within the union must in time bring a resolution and that no intervention by the Government is called for,

Satisfaction was expressed with the Coal Board's direction and management and Mr lan MacGregor, its Chairman, was judged to have timed shrewdly the rate at which the board will seek redundancies.

 Local authorities demanded urgent talks yesterday with the Government over the extra cost of policing miners' picket lines, (the Press Association reports). Nottinghamshire will have to

pay £2m a week in extra police costs and was "bleeding to death", the county's finance committee chairman said.

Mr Michael Cowan told the

executive council of the Con-America a laughing stock.

An official, who asked to remain anonymous, told The Times that Mr Weinberger had instructed his staff to review the faced a £6m bill. With the strike poised to continue, that would increase by £2m a week.

Maxwell agrees to pay unions' £150,000 fines Continued from page 1

the fines and sought seques-

tration of their assets they would be forced to take action against BPCC.

Both Sogat '82 and the NGA argued that they did not consider this another "Shah" case and pointed out that Mr Maxwell would need to have good relationships with the unions in the future, unlike Mr Eddie Shah, whose Stockport Messenger group now almost completely non-union. Talks went badly on Monday

evening but on Tuesday morn-ing Mr Maxwell reopened discussions with the unions and it was then that he received the new claim for the 8,500 BPCC employees, understood to have been for a £15 across-the-board increase in addition to a nationally-agreed settlement for the printing industry.

As soon as agreement on payment of the fines was agreed both unions withdrew the claim.

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The Duchess of Kent opens the new production line at Jamesons Chocolates, Tottenham, 12.05. Princess Alexander visits HMS Broadsword at Devonport Naval Base, Devon, 12, and the Highbury Mencap Centre, Plymouth, Devon,

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13 The Merry Wanderer has point

14 Good pull-up for cameleers (12).

18 Kind of head-dress to ape in

21 Descriptive of a possibly

23 Characteristic of ship leaving

24 Part of Eire, nice and pcaceful

25 Morbid condition arising from

26 Follow in reverse direction for

27 Correspondence that can't be

argument about God (8).

this dance position (6).

has prominence (8).

10 Beds for smoking in (6).

for a versifier (9).

enticing toxin (9).

narrow waterways (5).

India (6-6).

12 Gormless mountain dog (5).

coliar (6).

kitchen (4-4).

Action Portraits: photographs by Scottish newspaper photographers, Collins Gallery, University of Strathclyde, 22 Richmond Street, Glasgow; Mon to Fri 10 to 5 (2015)

today) Engraved gems (Randolph Gal-

lery), Ashmolean Museum, Beau-mont Street, Oxford; Tues to Sat, 10 to 4 (ends today).
"Things" by Polly Hope, Oriel 31,
31 High Street, Welshpool, Powys;

4 Cruelty of regime for those on

6 Join number one, getting equa

7 May be a leg break produced by

8 Girl who has 23 has no presence

11 It can rally New York, perhaps

15 He adds one to the gate number

17 Hate a man badly to make him

19 Flower with yellow tip under

20 Way to scrape the ship's

22 Mill owner profits from this

Solution of Puzzle No 16,413

sick-list? (3-9).

first (5).

slip (8).

this (8).

foot (6).

planking (6).

ground (5).

of mind (8).

harshly (12).

16 Instrument case (8).

Mon to Sat 11 to 5 (ends today). Music

Harrogate Spring Flower Show, Valley Gardens, Harrogate, N. Yorks, 10 to 7 (Thur to Fri), 9.30 to 5 (Sat), (until 28th April.) Concert by the Choir of St Peter Auction of English and foreign silver and plate, 10; auction of Jewelery, 2.30, both at Bearnes The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,414 Rianbow, Avenue Road, Torquay,

hamshire, 7.45.

General

Exhibitions in progress
Image - the third of three
exhibitions sponsored by the Aris Le Mans Crescent, Bolton: Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 5, closed Weds and Sun (ends May 19).

Symphony Orchestra and Sinfonietta, Winter Gardens, Bournemonth

Organ recital by Simon Lindley,

Workson College Chapel, Notting-

New work by two young British Woropay, Kettle's Yard Gallery, Northampton Street, Cambridge, Mon to Sat 12.30 to 5.30, Sun 2 to Recent watercolours by Cameron

F. Coutts, Derek G. M. Mowatt and Keith A. Thomson, Torrence Gallery, 29b Dundas Street, Edin-burgh; Mon to Fri 11 to 6, Sat 10.30 to i, closed Sun (ends May 5). Patchwork and Quilting in Scotland, 1700 to 1984, City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, closed Sun (ends

National Day

Tanzania's National Day today commemorates the union of Tanganyika and Zanzibar in 1964. Tanganyika had become independent from Britain in December 1961 and Zanzibar an independent

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): I Defects Bill, second reading. Lords (3): Rates Bill, committee first day.

Anniversaries

Births: David Hume, philosopher, (new style May 7). Edinburgh, 1711; John James Andubon, naturalist and artist, Les Cayes, Haiti, 1785. Deaths: Bigrastjerue Bigrason, poet and dramatist, Nobel laureate 1903, Paris 1910; Carl Bosch, chemist, Nobel laureate 1931, Heidelberg, Germany, 1940; Edwin Pratt, poet,

Lockyer bicentenary

A service is to be held on Sunday, May 4, in the parish church of St Werburgh's at Wembary, near Plymouth, to mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Major Edmund Lockyer, founder of West Australia Lockyer, scion of an old Devon family, was sent by ship from Sydney in 1826 to forestall a possible French landing on the west coast of Australia and by raising the British flag he brought the whole of the continent under the Crown.

New books - paperback

tions of the Golden Triangle by Alain Robbe-Grillet translated by J. A

When lights go on

The State Apartments at Kensington Palace will close to the public at 3pm (last tickets and admissions at

2.40pm) today, reopening for normal

begin on Monday and continue until

the end of October.
The following buildings will be

Boodlit from dusk to midnight:

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London: The FT Index closed up

ent of the environment, will

hours for visitors at 9am tomorrow.

Roads

London and South-east: Heavier than usual traffic on A41 between St Johns Wood and Swiss Cottage due to closure of Macclesfield Bridge on north side of Regents Park.

Streatham confined to single lane

closures on southbound carriageway of M5 between junctions 16 and 17. Northbound access slip road closed at junction 17. Diversion via A38 to junction 16; delays, particularly during week-ends. Roadworks on A40 at Crickhowell, Powys. Tem-porary one-way system in Wine St, Ammanford, Dyled on A483.

Angus and Perthshire. A987: Only one lane in use between the A907 junction and cullaloe reservoir Fife; temporary lights. Single-line traffic in A9: Causeway Head Road, Sterling.
Information supplied by AA

"Never mind what that credited? Should it rest on some ecclesiastical whim?" the paper

What does our Governmen intend to do about the murder of a British policewoman from the sanctuary of the Libyan Embassy? asks the Daily Mirror. It answers: "It intends to consider whether or not to propose changes in the international convention which places diplomats and their embassy premises above any law", and adds: "How long will changes take - if we propose them? God and Allah alone

forecast An anticyclone will be slow-

moving near the northern North Sea. Most places will be dry and sunny. North Scotland and the northern isles will have some coastal fog patches.

Weather

London, E. W Midlands, central N England: Dry, sunny: wind E light or moderate; max temp 21-23C (70-73F). SE, central S, S, SW England, Channel Islands: Dry, Surmy, wind E moderate, fresh on some coasts; max temp 21-23C (70-73F), cooler near

Glasgow, central Highlands: Dry. sunny, variable light; max temp 22-24C (72-75F).

Orkney, Shetland: Dry, sunny periods, some coastal fog patches; wind variable light: max temp 13C (55F). Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday:

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dover, English Charmel (E): Wind E to NE, fresh or strong; sea moderate or rough, St George's Charmel, Irish Sea: Wind E to SE, fresh or strong; sea

Lighting-up time

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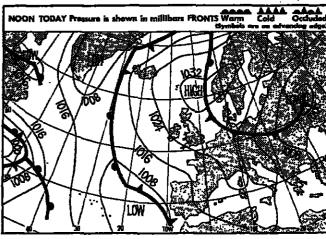
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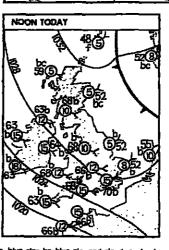
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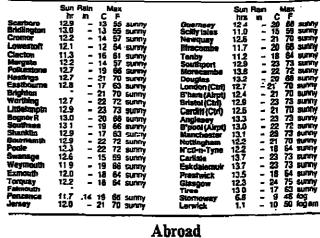
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dictated (3-5).

SOUTH ALERANDE TO THE ALERANDE 1 Perhaps make Fatty add fuel to 2 Poorly, laid up in bed, lacking in 3 Subjects in revised agenda we may get a bit stuck on (9).

CONCISE CROSSWORD, PAGE 10

Concert by the Bournemouth A selection of interesting books published this week

Edwin and Other Plays by John Mortimer (Penguin, £2.50)

Love and Death in the American Novel by Leslie A. Fiedler (Penguin, £4.95)

Nortimer Wheeler: Adventurer in Archaeology by Jacquetta Hawkes (Abacus, £3.95)

Underwood (John Calder, £3.95)
The Aspern Papers and The Turn of the Screw by Henry James. Edited with an Introduction by Anthony Curtis (Penguin, £1.75)
The Classical Theory of Economic Growth by Walter Eitis (Macmillan Press, £8.95)
The Road to Passchendsele: the Flanders Offensive of 1917, a Study in Inevitability by John Terraine (Leo Cooper with Secter & Warburg, £8.95)
The Unknown Mayhew: Selections from the Moming Chronicle, 1849-50. Edited by E. P. Thompson and Eileen Yeo
Three Livas by Gertrude Stein (Penguin, £2.50)

Sewer repairs at junction A24 East Street and Kiln Lane, on A24 at Epsom. Northbound traffic on A23 at

near Streatham Station. Wales and West: Various lane

Midlands and East Anglia: Diversion via roundabout at Branston, south of Burton on Trent, Staffordshire. Temporary signals, delays at Scole, Norfolk, Roadworks at Tidmington, south of Shipston.

at Tidmington, south of Shipston, Warwickshire.
North: Contraflow between junctions 32 and 33 (M55 and Lancaster) Lancashire. Single-lane traffic (diversions sign posted) in Washway Road in Sale. Repairs to both carriageways on Brigg-Ulceby section of A180, Humberside.
Scotland: A85: Only one lane in use east and west of Invergowrie, Anens and Perthshire. A987: Only

Papers

"Good Grief" ... says the Daily Star, commenting on the Church of Scotland's pronouncement that God does to the Bible story of the Virgin Birth. Can anything be more deeply irrelevant to our spiritual lives? Whether the Bible is literally or symbolically true, why should it matter that it casts God as a male? Is the father image totally dis-

6am to midnight

coasts.

East Anglia, E, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Fritt: Dry, surny; wind variable, mainty E light: max temp 19-21C (66-70F). cooler near coasts.

S, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Dry, sunny; wind SE light or moderate; max temp 18-21C (64-70F). cooler on some coasts.

NE, NW Scotland: Dry and sunny, coestal tog patches in N, wind SE light; max temp 14-17C (57-63F), cooler near

4,44 am New Moon: May 1.

Yesterday

Vesterday: Temp: max Som to Spm, 21C (70F); min Spm to Sem, 9C (48F). Humleby: Spm, 21 per cent, Rain: 24far to Spm, Coin. Sur: 24far to 8 pm, 12,7far. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1025.2 mallbars. 1,000 mallbars = 29.53h.

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